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METRIC SYSTEM FOR RUSSIA

HOW FRANCE MAKES HAY.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

PARIS, November 27.
In view of the recent Soviet decree that the metric system shall be enforced immediately, as far as state institutions are concerned and after January 1, 1927 will be obligatory throughout Russia, it is anticipated that French firms will be asked to supply Russia with all the new instruments which the change will entail. French instrument makers are arranging to send a delegation to Moscow to discuss the formation of a mixed Russo-French Company to carry out a concession. It is declared that the makers have a financial backing of 30 million francs. The value of the instruments to be supplied to the Soviet state institutions is estimated at 300 million francs. The Soviet Government will advance no capital but will grant facilities and claim 51 per cent. of the profits. The French makers propose to equip a factory at Moscow, but everything that cannot be made on the spot will be sent from France.

DUTCH INDIES TRADE

HOW BRITAIN STANDS.

LONDON, November 27.
The Department of Overseas Trade has issued a report by Mr. Bluet, the British Commercial Agent, on the economic situation in the Dutch Indies. He says that although the textile trade is largely in the hands of British manufacturers, Japan is yearly becoming a more serious competitor especially in the cheaper qualities. Local importers of piece goods complain that the British manufacturer does not attempt to supply the inferior grade shipped by the Japanese agents. No important wholesale firm was importing high-class British wearing apparel. British manufacturers should encourage the wholesale exporter to open an importing agency in the Dutch Indies and local men and women who know the market to canvass retail establishments.

LANCASHIRE COTTON TRADE

SHORT TIME TO BE STOPPED.

LONDON, November 27.
An improvement in the cotton trade in Lancashire is indicated as a result of two ballots among the members of the Federation of Master and Cotton spinners, in regard to the continuance of short time in mills using American cotton which failed to give the necessary eighty per cent. majority in favour either of a 24-hour or 32-hour week. The result will be the stoppage of short time next week.

HOME ELECTION CAMPAIGN

NOMINATIONS COMPLETED.

LONDON, November 27.
Nominations were completed by two Conservatives and one Liberal being nominated for Oxford University and two Liberals and one Independent Christian Pacifist for the University of Wales.

BEAUTIFUL SINGING.

MALE VOICE CHOIR'S SUCCESS.

A Male Voice Choir is not exactly an innovation for Hongkong. Some years ago we remember listening to the efforts of such a choir in the Old Victoria Theatre and they sang, very creditably indeed, some part-songs common to male voice choirs. It died, as do all good things, sooner or later, and a year or so ago there arose, phoenix-like, another choir from the ashes of the old. Mr. W. Fieldgate was the conductor but the baton has now been handed to Mr. S. Collett who has under his command a capable body of 21 singers. Last night's concert was the result of a number of rehearsals and gave pleasure to an audience which filled St. John's Cathedral Hall. A wide and wise discrimination had been exercised in the compilation of the programme, and the pieces selected had a varying range—from grave to gay, to the sonorous and the sweet. The choir, it appeared to us, excelled in its interpretation of what may be termed the delicate, where a restraint is imposed by the nature of the lyrics or the verse, and the music which has been given to them. Edward German's "O Peaceful Night" is an exquisite thing and breathes the spirit of peace on a calm night, with a light into the realms of fairyland. The choir proved itself of sterling material in this piece in spite of a natural desire perhaps, on the part of the bass singers, to assert themselves. The phrasing and expression and, perfect timing, were alike admirable, and these qualities were also to the fore in Sullivan's "The Long Day Closes," and Edward Elgar's "It's Oh! to be a Wild Wind." Haydn's "Maiden Fair, O deign to tell" is a delightful little piece in which tenors and bass in following parts entered into the spirit of the thing and consequently gave a delightful rendering. "A Franklyn's Dogge" is a favourite of quartette singers but also makes an admirable piece for a choir, it does "by jingo." It needs a light touch and an agreement with "Now is not the time for a prettiness." After listening to last night's rendition we are willing to swear it is, by jingo. Mr. Stanley Collett is to be congratulated on his conducting of this piece and his enthusiasm into his forces a true conception of what is required. Mr. Collett's conducting throughout the evening was marked with musicianly qualities and the future of the choir is safe in his hands. "The Belshazzar" and "By Babylon's Wave" were the more ambitious of the choir's efforts. They were both accurately given and worthy a place in the programme. Mrs. Clements, Mrs. Mathieson, Mrs. Aubrey and Mr. L. Zellensky were contributing artists and they added not a little to the success achieved. Liza Lehmann's "Bird Songs" are a sheer delight, particularly "The Yellow Hammer," and "The Wren." In these Mrs. Clements gave that daintiness of touch so necessary to bring out the bird-like nature of them, and her encore was well merited. Mrs. Mathieson's pleasingly rendered "A Roundel of Rest" by Cyril Scott, her beautiful voice, setting the songs she submitted.

NAVAL WORLD CRUISE

SPECIAL SERVICE SQUADRON.

HEARTY SEND-OFF AT DEVONPORT.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

LONDON, November 27.
The special service Naval squadron left Devonport this morning on the world cruise.

The Commander-in-Chief, Vice-Admiral Sir F. Field, received a farewell message, H.M. the King wishing the squadron a happy and successful voyage and a safe return.

AGGREGATION OF SPORTSMEN.

The squadron was given a hearty send off by crowds at Devonport. The squadron carries special bands, while the 3,743 officers and men aboard include champion naval boxers and expert footballers, so that a programme of boxing tournaments and football matches can be carried out aboard and ashore. A staff of film experts also is carried on H.M.S. "Hood" for the purpose of making a complete cinema record of the tour.

RUHR PROBLEM

DELICATE SITUATION DISCUSSED.

LONDON, November 27.
The new and delicate situation arising out of the Ruhr occupation owing to the Franco-Belgian agreement with the Ruhr industrialists under which France and Belgium propose to recoup themselves the costs of occupation from payments under the agreement was discussed at a conference of British experts including Sir John Bradbury at the Foreign Office to-day. Sir John Bradbury will report the British Government's decision to the Reparations Commission, which, according to Paris newspapers is confronted with the problem not merely of recognising the occupation of the Ruhr as it hitherto has not done but endorsing the legality of payments.

PHILIPPINES INDEPENDENCE

IS IT COMING?

LONDON, November 27.
In view of the arrival of the delegation of the Filipinos to plead their country's independence, President Coolidge indicated the belief in the United States in favour of withdrawal as soon as the Philippines are fit for self-government. He believes the islanders have hitherto excellently progressed in this direction.

COMMUNISM

OMINOUS DEMONSTRATIONS.

BERLIN, November 27.
Communist demonstrations throughout the Capital have led to frequent collisions with the police. A considerable number of policemen and civilians have been wounded.



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B98925	Dady Barjor & Co.	Russio-Asiatia Bank	Nov. 1910	5 c/s Stout
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C15102	do.	do.	do.	1 "
C15819	Luk Wo Hong	Luk Wo Hong	Nov. 1913	7 " E. G. Bottles
C15878	Lam Po Heung	Lam Po Heung	Jan. 1914	29 " Sewing Machines
C15952	Cheung Pui Kai	Cheung Pui Kai	Mar. 1914	8 b/s Paper
C16077	Wing Yik Co.	Wing Yik Co.	June 1914	1 c/s Bedsteads
C20756	China Commercial Trading Co.	China Commercial Trading Co.	July 1912	1 " Straw Hats
C44531	T. Chee	T. Chee	July 1912	1 " Pickles
C44532	do.	do.	Aug. 1912	2 " Provisions
C44533	do.	do.	do.	2 "
C44537	do.	do.	do.	2 "
C44538	do.	do.	do.	2 "
C49959	T. Chee & Co.	T. Chee & Co.	Feb. 1913	12 " "
C51126	Law & Sons	Law & Sons	do.	28 Pkgs Machinery
C78518	Tam Chun	Tam Chun	Mar. 1915	2 Empty Iron Drums
C95990	Astor House Hotel	Astor House Hotel	Apr. 1915	8 c/s Red Wine
D33915	L. Hotat & Co.	L. Hotat & Co.	July 1917	3 c/s Sulphuric Acid
D34784	Man Mut Loong Bank Ltd.	Man Mut Loong Bank Ltd.	Sept. 1918	2 " Machine Needles
D34977	Tuen Kee Hong	Tuen Kee Hong	Dec. 1918	48 " Matches
D36929	Wong Yu Han & Co.	Wong Yu Han & Co.	Mar. 1920	151 bags Bones
D36163	B. Karon & Sons	B. Karon & Sons	May 1916	3 b/s Cotton Canvas
D36207	do.	do.	June 1916	2 " "
D37864	T. Arakawa	T. Arakawa	Jan. 1918	1 c/s Tooth Powder
D38126	do.	do.	July 1918	2 c/s Tooth Powder
D55104	Pacific Trading Co.	Pacific Trading Co.	Dec. 1918	1 bag Wire Nails
D56107	do.	do.	do.	27 Coils Galv'd Wire
D56111	do.	do.	do.	1 bar Iron
D56120	do.	do.	Jan. 1919	27 " Rd. Iron
D67222	do.	do.	Apr. 1919	5 " 4 c/s Files
D67238	do.	do.	May 1919	184 Bds Flat Iron
D67244	do.	do.	Sept. 1919	183 Pcs Rd. Iron
D71911	do.	do.	Sept. 1919	183 Pcs Rd. Iron
D71925	do.	do.	Mar. 1920	20 Coils Old Wire Rope
E31549	Mow Yuen	Mow Yuen	Nov. 1920	17 c/s Phosphorus
E36367	Hongkong Mercantile Co.	Hongkong Mercantile Co.	Sept. 1920	112 bags Ammophos
D36815	Hirashima & Co.	Hirashima & Co.	June 1919	1 c/s Desk &c.
D38838	T. Arakawa	T. Arakawa	do.	7 c/s Tooth Powder
D53486	Pacific Trading Co.	Pacific Trading Co.	Nov. 1918	10 Coils Wire
D53496	do.	do.	Dec. 1918	3 bars Round Iron
D53499	do.	do.	do.	18 Coils Old Wire
D67265	do.	do.	June 1919	483 Rds Congoleum

W. S. BROWN,
Secretary.

Hongkong November 26th, 1923.

HONGKONG TRAMWAY COMPANY, LIMITED.

(Incorporated in England).

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to Shareholders in the above named Company that the Special Resolution to wind up the Company and the Extraordinary Resolution providing for the distribution or sale of the Company's holding of Shares in the Hongkong Tramways Limited (Incorporated in Hongkong) of which notice has been given to the Shareholders having been confirmed and passed the REGISTERS OF SHAREHOLDERS in the above named Company both in London and in Hongkong WILL REMAIN OPEN UNTIL THE 30th DAY OF NOVEMBER 1923 for the purpose of registering transfers of Shares after which date the said Registers will be closed and the Liquidator will proceed to a distribution of the assets of this Company among the persons appearing as Shareholders upon the said Registers in accordance with their rights and with the said Extraordinary Resolution.

W. F. SIMMONS,
For and on behalf of
EDWARD RITCHIE MORRIS,
Liquidator.
Hongkong, 5th November, 1923.

HONGKONG BOXING ASSOCIATION.

Second Tournament of the Season.

SATURDAY, 1st December,
at 9.15 p.m. at the
THEATRE ROYAL.

MAIN EVENTS.

Fifteen round contest for Light-weight Championship of the Colony and the Gedge Belt.
AB. CHADWICK v. PTE. FLYNN.
H.M.S. "Marathon" 2nd Bn. The King's Regt.

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A.B. EARDLEY v. PTE. SCOTT.
H.M.S. "Ambrose" 2nd Bn. The King's Regt.

One Featherweight, one Middleweight, one Bantamweight, one Heavyweight and one Welterweight contest each of the rounds.
Meeting at 8.15 p.m. Members on the 28th November. General Public from the 30th November.
USUAL PRICES.

THE HONGKONG SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO ANIMALS.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the above Society will be held by kind permission in the Board Room of Messrs. JARDINE MATHESON & COMPANY (Jardine's Building, Top Floor) on THURSDAY November 29th at 5.30 P.M.

1. Presentation of Report & Accounts for the year ending October 31st 1923.
2. Any other S.P.C.A. business that may be brought before the meeting.
3. Election of Officers and General Committee for the ensuing year.

At the conclusion of this meeting, an Extraordinary General Meeting will be held to consider proposals to amend Nos. 4, 5 and 9 of the Society's Rules as follows:-

Rule 4. Heading and Side note, for "Officers" substitute "Personnel" After "Members" in the last line, insert "Donating Members."

Rule 5. Heading for "Constitution" substitute "Management." Line 2 after "Committee" add "of which the President, Vice President, Hon. Secretary and Hon. Treasurer shall be members ex officio."

Rule 9. For the present rule substitute the following:-
"Any person may become a Member of the Society by paying to the Hon. Treasurer an annual subscription of £2 (Two dollars), or a Donating Member by paying annual subscription of \$5 (Five dollars), or a Life Member on payment of a sum of not less than \$80 (Eighty dollars). To every such person the Hon. Treasurer will issue a Card of Membership."
Hongkong, November 23, 1923.

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

THE Half-Yearly General Meeting of Members will be held on WEDNESDAY, 12th December 1923 at 5 p.m. in the Jockey Club Room, Hongkong Club Annex.
By Order,
C. B. BROWN,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 27th November, 1923.

INTIMATIONS.

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Hongkong, 27th November, 1923.

THE HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

AN EXTRA GYMKHANA MEETING will be held (weather permitting) at Happy Valley, on SATURDAY, 1st December 1923 commencing 2.45 p.m.

The Charge for admission to the Public Enclosure will be \$1. Soldiers and Sailors in uniform half price.

Members are advised that they must show their Badges to obtain admission to the Members' Enclosure. Each member has the right of introducing 2 non-members to the members' enclosure, tickets for whom can be obtained from Messrs. Linstead & Davis at \$5 each up to FRIDAY November 30th. The Stewards invite the Ladies of Hongkong to be present.
Hongkong, 19th November, 1923.

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N. LUND, Act. Superintendent.

Hongkong, 22nd November, 1923.

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Reas, Carrell General Delivery, from Westward.

R. M. MAGALINE, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 22nd November, 1923.

MAIL WEEK NEWS.

ITEMS FROM FAR AND NEAR.

Cases of robbery under arms are again occurring in Dublin.

Swarms of flies are reported to be infesting the Goodwin Sands.

Fleet-street Week for Bart's was celebrated from October 22 to 27.

It is officially denied that Tory Headquarters has decided to drop the word Unionist.

A ping-pong international between England and Wales is to be played this year at Cardiff.

Miss Catherine Jane Jellicoe, an aunt of Lord Jellicoe, celebrated her 102nd birthday at Southampton.

Greece has handed over the islands of Tenedos and Imbros to Turkey, under the Treaty of Lausanne.

A woman student has entered for an advanced course in steel-frame construction at Westminster evening classes.

Deptford Borough Council is going to stop traders and others using the pavements for advertising purposes.

William Rollings, 55, of Oakfield-road, Penge, was found dead in his bedroom, which was full of gas.

With the current issue "The Church Family Newspaper" has changed its title to "The Church of England Newspaper."

Ancestors of Councillor Richard Guy Kitching, who will be Grimsby's next mayor, filled the chair in 1704 and 1725.

Thirty-four speeches in one day were made by Carlisle's 75-year-old mayor, Mr. Robert Dalton, in a tour of the city schools.

A lighted cigarette thrown from a foot-bridge at Grimsby caused a fire at the asphalt works of Messrs. Robert White, Limited.

A new telephone exchange will be opened at Southall, Middlesex, and 250 subscribers' lines will be simultaneously transferred, from Ealing to the new exchange.

The Duke and Duchess of York passed through Milan on their way to Belgrade for the christening of the Serbian Crown Prince, whose godfather the Duke will be.

Mr. William Hamar Greenwood, brother of Sir Hamar Greenwood, the late Chief Secretary for Ireland, and a prominent Canadian journalist, died at Toronto after a lingering illness.

Dummy coco-nuts covered with fibre and screwed down were said to have been used in his shy by Arthur Jones, a showman, who was dismissed at Merthyr on promising not to repeat the deception.

Col. C. E. F. Rich, Governor of the Borsal Institution, Rochester, on leaving to take up duty as Governor of Liverpool Prison, received a present from the staff and an illuminated address from the boys.

In the coat of a man found dead at the foot of the cliffs at Beachy Head was an envelope bearing the words "From a victim of neurasthenia" and giving an address at Blagdon-road, Lewisham, S.E.

Mrs. Hilton, wife of Mr. Harold Hilton, Professor of Mathematics at London University, was found drowned on the beach at Bangor. At the inquest a verdict of Suicide, while of Unsound Mind was returned.

A London iron and steel merchant, Mr. Frank Warrington, has purchased the disused brewery premises of Cox and Sons, at Farnborough, Kent, which were closed down 20 years ago owing to a family dispute over the founder's will.

Major-General Sir Robert Baden Powell, Chief Scout, was presented with a replica of the badge worn by the Army and Navy Veterans of Canada, Mr. Charles Hammond, of Winnipeg, making a special trip to London with the badge.

The Ministry of Labour has informed the railway companies that the trade unions refuse to accept mediation in the dispute arising out of the companies' proposal to reduce the war wage of 16s. 6d. paid to railway shovellers to 10s. per week—the rate paid in private engineering shops.

At the Old Bailey William Edwin Booker, 40, a former Labour member of the Hammersmith Borough Council, was bound over on a charge of the fraudulent conversion of £25 belonging to a sports club of which he was secretary. It was said that the money was being paid back.

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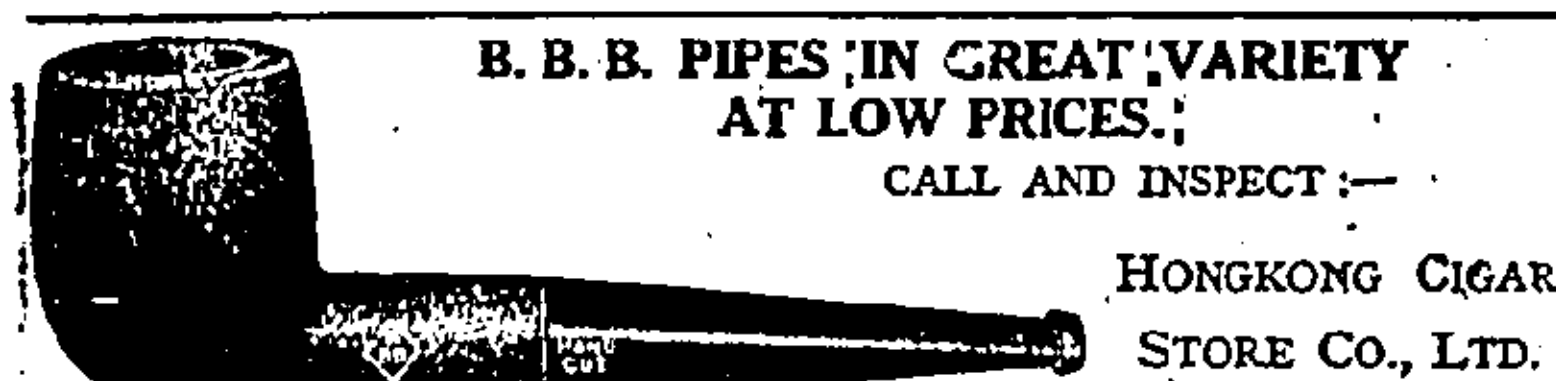
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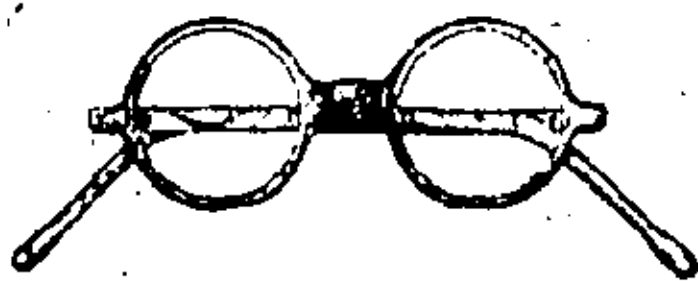
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ARTISTIC IMPULSE.

The life even of the meanest man is a poem. And if we regard poetry as one of the arts, as we must, then we must conclude that the impulse for the finer things of life is deep-rooted, hidden, perhaps never to be revealed, in each of us. Parents, many of them, unconsciously, and following it as a vogue place opportunities in the way of their children to acquire a grounding in the two most popular forms of artistic impulse—music and painting, and many of us elders have cause to be thankful for the guiding of our early steps into paths that later on have led to enjoyment of the spirit and a finer and truer conception of life and its numberless possibilities. Each home in some form or another bears evidence of these artistic impulses. It may be in the pictorial evidences on the walls, the ever-present piano-forte, and even the quality of the things with which we surround ourselves. To be conscious of the beauty of poetry, submitted Robert Blatchford, is an evidence that one is a poet. To have a liking for the things that are beautiful, even though we may not possess the ability necessary to create them, is surely a sign that

we possess artistic impulse. The next best thing to creation is appreciation, and encouragement of our artists is but one step removed from artistry. That follows. Our appreciation of a book may be dictated by the nature of its story or its reasoning, but unconsciously is the conviction that the writer has written something—has used language that has caught our imagination, and painted for us a picture that lives in our memory. The subject of a picture entrances us, but unconsciously again the art used and exercised in colouring has helped us not a little in our feeling of appreciation. Examples in other directions could be given, and it only needs a little thought to prove the simple truth of our contention. The artistic impulse therefore is to be cultivated; encouraged, and where ever necessary directed in right channels—for there can be a prostitution of the artistic impulse leading to all forms of debasement of artistry. When, as in the life of our own community, there is organised in little bands of enthusiasts, those whose object it is to give in united form the results of their efforts, whether we feel that such things are not for us because we cannot understand them or they have no direct appeal, it is a duty we owe such organisations, and ourselves as well, to give them that encouragement, which their disinterested motive deserves. Hongkong's opportunity in this direction

is peculiarly great at this present moment. With a knowledge of the Colony extending some years we cannot ever remember having knowledge of so many institutions giving considerable reign to the artistic impulse. Not perhaps to be classed as an institution, but to be regarded as such, was the recent exhibition of what is unnecessarily called classical dancing. To see young children interpreting in sinuous and beautiful movements, certain poetic fancies, was a privilege not to be lightly considered, and benefits lightly dismissed or assayed. We have our own Philharmonic Society busy reaching to their own standard of perfection in the music of the moderns and the ancients. Last evening the Hongkong Male Voice Choir gave pleasure by their renderings of part song music. Our Amateur Dramatic Club in an art which it is good to know is not being neglected, is busy with its forthcoming production of *Rossini's (Universal) Rôlets*, a modern conception of playwriting and dramatic work. Other Societies and Clubs exist to help and encourage artistic impulses. They deserve all the good things that can be said of them, and all the encouragement they should have. It is not, so far as we can see it, a question of Art for Art's sake that urges them on, but art for the sake of use—in other words, of life.

Domain: ".....this is R. U. R. our last hour, we are already speaking half in other world. It was not an evil dream, to alter the service of labour. Of the dreadful and humiliating labour that man had to undergo. Work was too hard, life was too hard."

We have hope for ourselves and the world when we hear of acts of modesty especially where gifts of money are concerned. It was therefore encouraging to read that that Prince of beggars, Lord Kintford, has revealed a remarkable case of generosity showing that an anonymous philanthropist who was "in no wise a very rich man" had offered to duplicate every gift to the London Hospital before January 1, up to £30,000. This method is generally productive of an inflow of donations and we sincerely trust a ready response will be forthcoming and that Hongkong will be represented in spite of what some of our public-spirited residents have done. We wonder if any local record exists in Hongkong for silent charity. Human nature being what it is, and as someone has indicated, Charity being a cheap advertisement, we can understand that it must be hard not to let the world and your left hand, know what your right is doing. Shall we ever reach a stage in our existence when such concerns as the London Hospital will never have occasion continually, to appeal for money? Shall we ever reach a stage when sickness and disease will be a crime? Not whilst we have impure liquor someone murmurs, and we must perform agree.

"The honourable AMENDED member" cried a member of the Government bittily, "is not fit to carry food to pigs."

Not a day passes THE TRUTH, but what we learn something; some fact is impressed upon us; some burning point settled for all time. We rise up at times and say "Now, we know." Thus has it been decreed that clerks are workers. We do not know how the vast army of the black coated fraternity will take it. And it matters not they are workers. Of that there is no possible shadow of doubt, no possible probable shadow of doubt whatever. The Chief Justice of Melbourne has said it and that settles it. Said he: "It was a fallacy to assume that clerical employees were not workers: of course we all know that it used to be said that workers meant only those who worked with their hands, but that was all cant." We don't know how the news will be received in Hongkong. Probably it will cause not a ripple of excitement. For there are no clerks. All our clerks are Mercantile Assistants—a much grander, a less meaner sound than clerk. It is typically Hongkong, akin to the fact that soon after a chap whose father at home is a carpenter, the old man—pater in Hongkong language, develops into a Timber merchant! Its more impressive and so to speak can't be seen through!

THE REASON The happy day had been fixed for a Monday, but a week or so before the ceremony he urged her to put it off until the following Thursday. Though puzzled, she agreed, but wanted to know the reason. "Snothin'" he said: "fact is, I've been calculating and I find that the date for our golden wedding will fall on a Saturday, and that'd never do as that's the night I'll be going to lodge if I join."

A speaker at a RIGHTEOUSNESS. Cambridge University debate which decided by a two to one majority "That... the influence of the Press on public opinion is increasing and is to be deplored," said it was the duty of the Press to preach righteousness. Righteousness exalts a nation it is stated, either in the Bible or the Prayer Book, and doubtless will exalt the Press. Unfortunately as a topic righteousness can easily be exhausted. Besides which if the world happened to be righteousness there might be no need for newspapers, or only a few of them. *The Manchester Guardian* was not so long ago complimented on the fact that it made righteousness readable, to which all who know and read the paper will testify. Listen to what Burns says:—
The rigid righteous is a fool,
The rigid wise another

ADOPTION. The Chinese Y.M.C.A. has a scheme of adopting boys. There is a tremendous number of Chinese boys engaged as apprentices in various occupations who do not receive a cent piece for whatever they do. The Association gets in touch with these chaps and so far as it is able looks after their moral welfare. A donation of \$5 a year "adopts" a boy. Here is an excellent opportunity for many a bachelor free from care, to become "Father." Send your name and \$5 and go about the Colony with a sense of feeling that you are of some use after all in the world.

Today's Poem.
(The Puppets Take a Curtain Call.)

Ladies and Gentlemen
And children too,
Who of course are little ladies and gentlemen.
And for that matter
So are we,
And we are what
All children ought to be,
Seen but not heard.
The voice you suppose to be ours
Is really our master's voice;
Our sighs, our tears, our prayers,
Our heroic bearing,
We owe to him who pulls the strings;
And the noble thoughts we express
So eloquently
Are all his too.
We ourselves are thoughtless.
Block-heads in fact,
We are literally descended
From a family tree,
And if our gestures
Are a bit wooden,
This is the reason.
Yet why should we
Apologise to you
Human beings
For being puppets,
When as the great Showman of the Globe once said,
You too are only players.

—MADGE ANDERSON, in "The Heroes of the Puppet Stage."

WEATHER CALENDAR.

NOVEMBER 28.

1753. The King caught cold on coming to town, and was very ill, but the gout, which had never been at court above twice in his reign, came, seized his foot a little, and has promised him at least five or six years more—that is, if he will take care of himself; but yesterday, the coldest day we have left, he would go into the Drawing-room, as if he was fond of showing the new stick he is forced to walk with.—*Walpole*.

1844. We see a fine white frost over the grass this morning; and I suppose you have rubbed your hands and cried "Oh Laik, how cold it is!" twenty times before I write this.—*Fitzgerald*. Galdston, Beccles.

LOVE.

Thy love shall chant its own beatitudes,
After its own life working.
A child a Kiss
Set on thy sighing lips shall make thee glad.
A poor man served by thee shall make thee strong;
Thou shalt be served thyself by every sense
Of Service which thou renderest.

—Mrs. Browning.

SHADOWS BEFORE.

Coming Events Advertised
in The Mail.

ENTERTAINMENTS.

November 28.—Coronet Theatre; "Orphans of the Storm."
November 28.—Star Theatre; Mary Pickford in "Through the Back Door."
November 28.—World Theatre; Mary Miles Minter in "The Heart Specialist."
November 28.—The Grand Theatre; Frank Mayo in "The Bolted Door."
December 1 to 8.—Star Theatre; A. Cargi presents The Italian Grand Opera Co.
December 3.—Theatre Royal; Piano Recital by Mr. Harry Ore, 9.15 p.m.
December 8-10-12-15.—Theatre Royal, Hongkong Amateur Dramatic Club presents the famous Robot Play the "R.U.R." 9.15 p.m.

SPORT.
December 1.—Next Tournament of the Hongkong Boxing Assn, at the Theatre Royal.
December 1.—Hongkong Jockey Club's extra gymkhana.
King's Farewell Football match at Sookunpo ground, 4 p.m.
December 2.—The "Jasoer Clark" challenge cup to be played for at Fanling.
December 9.—The Royal Hongkong Golf Club St. Andrew's v. St. George's match.

SOCIAL.
November 29.—Musical at Helena May Institute, 5.30 p.m.
December 3.—Lantern Lecture at Helena May Institute by Col. C. W. Davy, C.M.G., 5.30 p.m.

BAZAAR.
December 3.—Sale of Roses for the Poor of St. Vincent de Paul.
December 8.—Hongkong Women's Guild and M. C. L's Grand Fete and sale of work in the grounds of Government House, 2 p.m.

AUCTION.
November 29.—Lammert Bros., woollen and Tweed suitings and overcoatings, Sales Rooms, 11 a.m.
December 3.—Lammert Bros., miscellaneous goods, Sales Rooms, 11 a.m.

MEETING.
November 29.—Annual General Meeting of the Hongkong Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals at Messrs. Jardine Matheson's board room, 5.30 p.m.
December 12.—Hongkong Jockey Club, half-yearly general meeting, Hongkong Club Annex, 5 p.m.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Lighting-up time to-day is at 5.38 p.m.
Exchange on London is 2/3½; on Shanghai 69/4.

Gande Price and Co. advertise hampers for the festive season.

Cricket Notes will appear in to-morrow's issue of the *China Mail*.

Preparatory to their departure, the 2nd. Battalion King's Regiment are at present under canvas on Murray Parade ground.

The *China Mail* has received a copy of "Scales from the Dragon," a selection of Verses from "The Yellow Dragon," the magazine of Queen's College, Hongkong. It is hoped to make this the subject of a special review.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

On Friday, His Excellency the Governor will dine with Hon. Mr. Stephen, before proceeding to the St. Andrew's Ball.

The third and last of the practice reels for St. Andrew's Ball took place at the City Hall yesterday. It was very well attended and was most enjoyable. The Ball takes place on Friday night.

His Excellency the Governor invited the following, to meet Dame Adelaide Anderson, at lunch today at Government House: Hon. Sir Claud and Lady Severn, Hon. Mr. and Mrs. Hallifax, and Sir William and Lady Brunyate.

On Saturday, His Excellency the Governor will be present at the Boxing Tournament at the Theatre Royal. During the course of the evening His Excellency will present to their Commanding Officer, the trophy which is being presented to the King's Regiment by the Boxing Association as a mark of appreciation of the support of this Battalion during its stay in the Colony.

Rheumatic Pain.
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CHARIVARIA.

SATURDAY TO MONDAY
FEELING.

Sugar still booming states the *China Mail*. Very sweet of it.

Everything points to the St. Andrew's Ball being a real success.

Down with Impure Liquor is a burning question.

Five hundred doctors on the Lancashire panel list have resigned. Another Dos Sticks.

An English parson says that a "damn" or two would clear the air at deaconess meetings. Also the meetings.

The Harbour Improvement Scheme is likely to land the Colony in Deep Water.

"Puritanism," says Father Dogan, "transformed Morrie Engle into a land of cynics, pessimists, calamity howlers, hedgehogs, and icebergs." Of course, we are not quite sure, but we don't think Father Dogan likes Puritans.

The unearthing of some men's winter clothes reminds them of buy gone days.

A London woman kissed a horse on the nose and landed in a police court. Quite right; the Empire's national resources should be conserved.

With all these projected Piers our Harbour should become quite aristocratic.

Lord Birkenhead describes Mr. Lloyd George as England's greatest man. As Mr. Winston Churchill has it—a terminological inexactitude.

Down with impure liquor seems to be a sort of bottle cry.

An exchange of Chin China will take place at the Boxing Tournament on Saturday.

Definition: Golf.—Billiards gone to grass.

I advocate a closer alliance between the Churches and Thomas Cook & Son, says the Rev. J. A. Patten. The right ticket.

Mr. Lansbury thinks that of all the humbug and hypocrisy in this world, the religious services in prisons are the worst. Perhaps they are too confined.

It is not often that a Mason becomes an organist.

"Lady Astor's Drink Bill" is the heading in a morning contemporary. We were under the impression that Lady Astor was a teetotaler.

Mr. Lloyd George during his visit to America met Charlie Chaplin. It is all to the good that our moving actors should fraternise.

Strike of Sailmakers. Another breeze.

The Nippon strike should surely have been the Nip-pen strike.

A Sydney music seller who ran out of the latest song hit put the following notice in his window: "Yes, I have no 'Yes We Have No Bananas'."

LOVE.

The love for rose, for dog, for cat
A moment stays—then flies away.
When dainty flowers, whimsical pets,
Sweet scents diffuse, nice tricks display.

The love of women and of men
Too oft dies young, though some love long;
The memories of the past are drowned
In new-found loves, in jazz, in song.

The love slow-grown for bosom friend
Long lingers in our daily life;
A scene, a word, a thought reminds
Of him now free from worldly strife.

The love of parents for their child
Has wrecked many a kindly heart;
The baby-cries, the youthful pranks
Do haunt their lives, till they depart.

But love refined of man and wife
Oft causes the living one to part;
For comradeship, enjoyed for years,
Is hard to miss—so he departs.

—CHABAL.

FREE \$50 PRIZE.

VOTING CONTEST RESULT.

POPULAR CHRISTIAN NAMES.

Quite as interesting as the first and providing just as much entertainment for competitors, the second of the *China Mail* voting contests for popular boys' Christian names has been completed and we take pleasure in announcing the name of the winner to whom we are sending a cheque for \$50, together with our congratulations. The prize for the coupon agreeing most nearly with the choice of all the competitors, is awarded to

Mr. P. Morales,
Post Office,
Hongkong.

The correct solution, arrived at by the total votes sent in by all the competitors, is as follows:—

1. RICHARD.
2. ALBERT.
3. PHILIP.
4. DAVID.
5. JOSEPH.
6. CECIL.
7. HERBERT.
8. ANTHONY.
9. SAMUEL.
10. DUNCAN.

Judging by the majority of coupons, competitors had little difficulty in forecasting the ten most popular names from the list of twenty. As usual, the spice of the contest was in placing the names in such order as to tally with the choice of the whole poll. The voting was exceedingly close and a few votes one way or the other would have been capable of bringing out an entirely different solution.

THE RUNNING.
So close was the voting that there was no telling which of the first five would come out on top. On the other hand, there were no violent fluctuations in the order as the votes were registered on the charts. The favourites gradually established a small lead and retained it. Except for the fact that Albert led Richard by a couple of marks or so and that Philip and David tied for a short period, there were hardly any "jumps" to record. At the end, the first five were all close together, with Cecil a fair sixth. Herbert, Anthony and Samuel were not far behind but Duncan was only a moderate choice for tenth with all the non-placed names at regular intervals throughout. In the following order, viz., Vincent, Lionel, Gordon, Edgar, Oscar, Jeffrey, Roland, Basil, Clement and Eugene. Of these, the only one to show any promise after a bad start was Lionel, which was moved up three places as the result of the last batch of coupons.

SMALL POX.

FIGHTING HONGKONG'S
—EPIDEMIC.

INTERESTING EXPERIMENT.

With the small pox returns increasing every week, Hongkong's health officials are redoubting their efforts to combat the epidemic. Vaccination is the chief weapon against contagion, and this the Sanitary Board officers have now organized. In a very thorough manner. Not only are they vaccinating about 5,000 daily in the Colony, but they are also vaccinating people before they arrive here. Official vaccinators are now boarding Canton river steamers as they leave Hongkong and vaccinating the passengers on the return journey. The vaccinator who came down from Canton with the "Kinsan" yesterday vaccinated 678 out of the 700 passengers on board. This eminently successful result will doubtless lead to the experiment being extended. Needless to say the shipping companies are co-operating very cordially with the health officials.

CANTON WAR.

LITTLE CHANGE IN
SITUATION.

Although not entirely out of danger, Canton is in no imminent fear of invasion. There is little change to record, no big battle having taken place. Neither has there been any important strategic move. The only factor of significance is the reported capture by Sun's troops of Shieh Tan, the station after Shikling from this side. Evidently, Sun has been able to reorganize and reorganize his troops who are now taking up the offensive. The pro-Chan press gives as its version that Shieh Tan was unimportant and untimely from a military point of view, hence the retreat of Shikling. The latest report is that Sun is massing all the available Yunnanese troops on the front.

IN BRIEF.

NEWS FOR BUSY MEN.
CABLES.

Short time in the Lancashire Cotton trade is to be stopped.

The special service Naval Squadron has left Devonport on a world cruise.

Japan is becoming a serious competitor in the Dutch East Indies in the textile trade.

A delicate situation has arisen out of the Ruhr occupation due to the Franco-Belgian agreement with the Ruhr industrialists.

Communist demonstrations have taken place in Berlin leading to collisions with the police and injury to civilians and policemen.

The Philippine Delegation in the United States. As soon as the Filipinos are fit for self government it is likely they will receive their independence.

The metric system is to be enforced immediately in Russia. It is anticipated that French firms will be asked to supply all the new instruments which the change will make necessary.

GENERAL.

"Argus" in this issue reviews the nominations in the extra Gymkhana to be held on Saturday.

Lord Goschen, a Reuter cable states, has been appointed Governor of Madras in succession to Lord Willingdon, who is retiring.

There is to be a sale of roses in the streets on Monday next in aid of the funds of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul which works amongst the Colony's poor.

A Reuter message announces the death of Dr. James Auriol Armitage, who visited Peking in 1919 with Mr. Rockefeller to open the Medical College there.

At 8.15 to-night, the Social Club of the 88th Co. R.G.A. are giving a farewell concert at Victoria Barracks as a wind-up to the season. Sergeant-Major Williams is in charge of arrangements.

For Mr. Harry Ore's piano recital at the Theatre Royal on Monday next, a programme has been prepared which should appeal to all music lovers by reason of its interesting variety. The programme is in three parts. In the second Mr. Ore plays some of his own compositions, and in the third part is a fantasia by Mr. Temple Bevan and also two songs by the same composer which Mrs. Mathieson will sing. Mrs. R. Sanger will sing "Psyche" (Paladilhe) and "Je t'aime" (Greig). In the pieces for two pianos Mr. Ore will have the assistance of Mrs. H. Bonenfant.

The French cruiser, "Jules Ferry," is due to arrive here tomorrow with Admiral Frochot on board. Admiral Frochot has recently arrived in the Far East to take charge of the French China fleet. He is said to be the youngest Admiral in the French Navy. In this connection the French cruiser "Colmar" has already arrived in harbour, whilst the French gunboat "Nallieuse" is also expected to be in harbour before the arrival of the flagship. After visiting Hongkong, the flagship is to proceed to Shanghai, whilst the "Colmar" will proceed south to Saigon.

OUR POOR DAY.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY'S ANNUAL APPEAL.

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul, which celebrates this year the 60th anniversary of its establishment in this colony, will again make its annual appeal to the public of Hongkong on next Monday, 3rd December, when it will hold its yearly street sale of roses. Last year's "Our Poor Day" was a great success, considerably over \$4,000 being collected.

The calls on the Society's funds are increasing as a result of the great amount of unemployment and the comparatively high rentals of even the houses inhabited by the very poor. In addition to relief in the shape of food, clothing, rent, etc., for the poor, the Society, as is well known, devotes itself to the education and general well-being of poor children, and at this Christmas season, which, as we have said, marks the 60th anniversary of the Society's establishment in Hongkong, a special appeal is being made to us to do something to help these unfortunate children of our poor. "As you do unto these the least of my little ones you do unto Me." We are asked to share our good fortune with those upon whom fortune does not smile, and help to bring a little happiness into the lives of those who are poor, and pleasure to themselves and their families.

OUR TOWN.

BY ONE OF THE HOI POLLOI
(Specially Contributed.)

OUR CHIEF CITIZENS.

Our town is a flourishing one, and is famous for the wealth of its chief citizens, who have added pound to pound until you would think they would be satisfied and be prepared to spend some of it on the improvement of the world at large. Please don't mistake me. Our citizens are not misers. Oh, no! They spend their money all right, but on what? Why, they made it themselves, and so they spend it on themselves. They have quite fine houses, built high up on our highest local hill, called The Heights, which is our suburban residential district. Nothing so low as level land for them! When you live up in the world, you must be somebody of course, just because you are up. It's simple logic, isn't it? Low land, low people; high land, high people. All high people have blue blood in their veins; therefore our rich grocers, fishmongers, general merchants and other great men must be blue blooded!

But to go back to how our great men spend their money. Their household expenses are rather heavy, because they must entertain their friends. They call in entertaining in a small way, but I should call it magnificently. I have only been invited up to The Heights once, and then we had such a grand feast that I thought there must be a prince among the guests. I got so nervous that I ate my fish with an ordinary silver fork, and got so muddled with my finger bowl that I have never been invited since. I am told that some of these local Olympians even sometimes entertain our Mayor, who, because of his high position, must keep himself to himself somewhat. Whatever happens when the Mayor dines with these great men, I cannot think. My humble brain whirled even now at the thought of the amount of food I was given to eat on the solitary occasion on which I dined up there. I have heard it said that, when they entertain our Mayor, the feast would not have disgraced the table of Trimalchio.

Now if you have a fine house and entertain in a manner worthy of your position, you must keep a staff of servants. This item, however, is not so heavy as it might at first appear, as in our district, servants are of very low caste, and so, of course, must receive low wages. It's not the money spent which impresses the visitor and tourist (quite a number of tourists come to see the wonders of our hill), but it's the number of servants kept. One sweeps the floor, another dusts the room, one cleans the windows, while yet another only doorknobs. Our servants are specialists. One finds my Lord's collar stud, another hands him his tie and a third puts scent on his handkerchief. Our leading citizens are the envy of the whole world.

THE LADIES.

It would weary you to go right through the domestic budget of the average Height dweller, but I must mention their ladies, who have, owing to their husbands' prosperity, everything they could desire. They are well dressed, they golf, they own cars, they back horses at the local races, they go to the theatre, they dance, drink cocktails and smoke cigarettes. I ask you what more could a lady desire? You may enquire about the children. Please don't worry. They are well cared for by a special staff of nurses, and the parents see their children for a few minutes every week and for a whole hour on Christmas Day, just to remember which is which. Isn't this ideal? Much better than a lady getting old and grey, before she ought, with worrying over children, as do the women of other places.

You can imagine what advanced and cultured people we have in our midst, and what a consolation they are to us who live in the low lying parts of our town. We look up to them. They brighten our dark lives with their brilliance. It's a wonderful sight at night to look up and see their stately mansions with a light in each window. Our great men and their ladies set us a fine example of good breeding and manners. They all have *la grande maniere*, and it's a sight never to be forgotten to see one of the real ladies (some of the baser women have started calling themselves ladies) sweep into one of our shops down here, and tell the shopkeepers, in her best manner, to send up some *petit de la gras* and a bottle of vinegar, or some *ice*. It is in great demand on The Heights, and is freely dispensed to all and sundry. I hear they all study a book called "The Ladies' and Gents' Aid to Deportment and Etiquette," and make great pains to carry out the smallest detail mentioned therein, such as the correct fingers to use in placing a card in a neighbour's box. In fact our chief citizens set such an example to other places, that I understand it's now quite common to hear it said of anyone a little distinguished, "So and so has quite got the manner."

In fairness to our leaders of society, I should mention that on The Heights are a few outsiders, who have no right to be there. They are rather an affliction, as they will not obey the dictates of "The Ladies' and Gents' Aid," and some of them even refuse to keep the proper number of servants. In such people's houses children are seen at all times. It is said that one of the women was once found doing some dusting, and also that one of the men was heard to say that he didn't care a d—n for anybody's money! There was quite a scandal at the time that these things happened. Our doctors, lawyers, the vicar and a few others make up this rather disturbing element, but the courtesy of our Council allows them to live on The Heights as they are all so necessary to a proper existence, and, too, they do impart an old fashioned flavour to things.

OUR CHURCH.

As you would expect as being only fit and proper, our town boasts a cathedral with a bishop, who is a nice, kind gentleman, full of fun and bonhomie. It is rather strange that he does not live on The Heights, but then this is not due to any fault of his own, but to the shortsighted policy of his predecessors. They built the Episcopal Palace in a rather low down place. The income of the see is not very large, and so he cannot afford to move, and none of the great men have yet offered to rebuild for him; but then perhaps they do not want him up with them. As things are, however, it is rather nice to be able to say, "Yes, we have got the Bishop coming up to dinner, my dear."

Our Bishop does not trouble us much, for he is often away visiting other parts of his diocese. I suppose this is only right, though some of us think that he ought to be bishop of our town only. There's much to be done in the low part of the town. However, when he is here, we can usually see him in the Cathedral at the Sunday services, sitting in the back row of pews and not on his throne, as other bishops do. He is a very broadminded man and never wears his mitre. The dwellers on The Heights object to it as being the badge of an autocracy of which they do not approve. Nevertheless, it would be all right painted on his motor car if he had one, as it's a little distinguished to feel that there is a "mitred" car waiting outside your front gate.

We are not like many cathedral towns with a disgraceful waste of churches. We have only our Parish Church. This naturally leads me on to speak of our Vicar, who is also a nice man. He is very quiet, and has such a nice way with babies. He takes a wedding or a funeral beautifully, and so is in great demand for these functions. Some of our chief men are quite kind to him, and invite him out sometimes. As I already said he is tolerated on The Heights. Occasionally we go to hear him preach, because we don't like to hurt his feelings too much. But I must say that it is a little difficult to find time for this, especially as we don't intend to pay any attention to his fatherly admonitions.

I will not write more about our Church affairs because, when I have mentioned the weddings, funerals and occasional sermons, there's not much left to be said. I might have spoken of the Committee Meetings which are many, but as, in spite of much talking, nothing ever comes of them, we do not pay attention to them.

OUR TOWN COUNCIL.

Our present Council has before it one high ideal, and that is the rapid development and improvement of our town. Very laudable indeed, isn't it? But first I ought to describe our town. The low part of it, where I live, is very thickly populated. In some houses there is a whole family in a space the size of a bathroom belonging to a house on The Heights. As you might imagine, many of us would like these tenements done away, or at any rate controlled, but then, as our councillors point out, the people must live somewhere and the less trouble made about it the better. This thickly populated part of the town nestles round the foot of The Heights. A little way up the percentage per square yard gets smaller, and so on. The higher you get the fewer.

Undoubtedly, our Council is sincere in its desire to make our Town more famous than it already is. It is to have one great distinguishing mark (but I expect we shall be copied). It is to be famous as "The Treeless Town." What do people want with trees, when they have got good motor roads and unlimited bricks and mortar? The Council is very modest, by which I mean it dislikes immodesty, and so every part of Mother Earth's uncovered bosom is to be covered with bricks and stone. Trees don't do this well enough. It is said to think that our grandfathers were such fools as to plant trees all over the place, but they did and so have given us the trouble of getting rid of them. However, the Council is pleased to think that in the town, at least, there are few left. These are shortly to be removed.

Our grandfathers' roads were rather narrow and were planted with trees, which tend to make the roads shady. What we want is the sun. If anyone wants shade,

surely buildings give enough. The method of getting rid of these trees is to drive a motor car or two along the road at an excessive speed, and to knock down a few pedestrians (carefully selected of course). The Council then declares that the road must be widened. More land is bought, the trees are felled, and the road widened. Needless to say in other towns, not so advanced, fresh trees would be planted, but we have got beyond that stage.

Some time ago certain ignorant people sent a deputation to the Council begging that the trees might be spared and certain leafy spaces, especially one called Western Garden, better looked after. The Council pointed out that trees took up useful space, and land which might be given to the motorist, and, too, their preservation would spoil the programme of improvement. The deputation retired impressed with the Council's erudition, when shown, by charts and statistics, how useless trees are. One man actually suggested that trees were beautiful but was promptly sat on by a councillor who asked, "What on earth has beauty to do with town improvement?" However, as a concession, the Council agreed to plant some trees a few miles away from the town.

Our Council spends its money (some call it ours) very liberally in the cause of utility and improvement. Its self-imposed task of covering the district with buildings (the design doesn't matter as long as it's a building) is a very worthy one. More than this, to be the wonder of the world by being "THE TREELESS TOWN" will be quite unique. Of course there are still many trees on the sides of the Heights, but they are rapidly being cut down in favour of new roads and buildings.

I hear that a local Order is contemplated, which will be conferred on those who help towards the cause of utility. The insignia is to consist of a bricklayer's trowel between two crossed axes, and the honoured members will be privileged to write after their names the letters "T. T. T."

Our Council has other schemes of utility, such as the levelling of all hills except the Heights, but as they are all subordinate to the "Tree" campaign, I need not mention them.

I have tried to point out to you the most salient features of our town, its leading citizens, its Bishop, and Vicar and its Council. I do not doubt but there are others; those, however, are sufficient. I feel sure that you will agree that we set a wonderful example to the rest of the world of how things should be done. Our leading men and their wives are models of what cultured and rich people should be, while our Bishop's dignity and good fellowship put to shame most other prelates. Our Vicar with his quiet, unassuming manner is an example to the common over-zealous and interfering type of parson, and our Council, with its up-to-date ideas and swiftness of action, leaves nothing to be desired.

BILLIARDS' ASSOCIATION.

CATHOLIC UNION BEAT V.R.C. PLAYERS.

At the V.R.C., last night, the Catholic Union won the three remaining games against the V.R.C. players, in the tournament now in progress under the auspices of the Hongkong Billiards' Association. The biggest breaks were made by Barros (27) and Remedios (26) for the C.U. Club. J. Wittchell made 24 for the V.R.C. The scores were:—

C.U.C.	V.R.C.
Barros.....250 v.	Smith.....146
Remedios 250 v.	Wittchell 224
Silva.....250 v.	Gerrard.....228

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ALL preliminary notices of forthcoming meetings, lectures and entertainments, sent for insertion in the news columns of the China Mail, are charged for at the rate of \$1 each, (as announced in May and June of 1922) providing that they do not occupy more than four lines. In future if this space is exceeded they will be placed in the advertising columns at the prevailing rates.

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"MORA"	10,911	2nd Feb.	do.
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"KHIVAR"	15,893	22nd Mar.	do.
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"KHIVA"	8,097	2nd Dec. at Noon.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe.
"ARA-MURA"	6,000	11th Dec. at 10 a.m.	Moji and Kobe.
"MAEDONIA"	11,688	15th Dec. at 10 a.m.	S'hai, Moji and Kobe.
"KARHAR"	8,840	22nd Dec. at 10 a.m.	S'hai, Moji and Kobe.
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"MORA"	10,911	12th Jan. at 10 a.m.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"KARMA"	9,098	22nd Jan. at 10 a.m.	Shanghai.
"ROUDAN"	6,898	1st Feb. at 10 a.m.	Shanghai.
"EASTERN"	4,000	2nd Feb. at 10 a.m.	Moji and Kobe.
"NALDERA"	15,893	9th Feb. at 10 a.m.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
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BUSMAN'S HOLIDAY.

BO'SUN WHO CAME BACK.

MUCH ADO ABOUT NOTHING.

"Oh, what a fuss! Oh what a bore!"

All through the closing of a single door!

So ran the chorus of an old song much favoured in bygone days as a humorous duet. If the Magistrate, reporters, police inspectors, lawyers and miscellaneous hangers on who congregated in the Marine Court this morning had rendered the ditty as a concerted item it would have made a fitting finale to the case in which a Chinese was charged with having unlawfully gone on board the s.s. "Leung Kowong" without permission.

Part of the case was heard yesterday when it was stated by the owner that the man was formerly bo'sun of the ship but was dismissed because the police suspected him of smuggling arms. Police evidence was given to the effect that when taken off the ship, at the Captain's direction, he was actually acting as boatswain and locking one of the grills. The Marine Magistrate (Commander Beckwith) decided that he would like to hear a little more about the matter and adjourned the case till to-day in order to hear the evidence of the master, Captain Wilson.

This morning Captain Wilson, something of an "ancient mariner," whose evidence was extracted with considerable difficulty, appeared in the witness box and was questioned by the Marine Magistrate. He confirmed that the man was dismissed because of police suspicions but expressed the opinion that he was not concerned in the arms smuggling at all. He thought the defendant just came on board to get a passage.

Mr. McCullum, appearing for the defence, asked whether a passenger had to get consent to go on board Captain Wilson replied in the negative; adding that tickets were generally bought on the ship.

Commander Beckwith remarked that he could not see there was any case against the man. "Now," he asked Sgt. Whelan, "did you get the idea that he belonged to the crew?"

Sgt. Whelan: He had lock and a key in his hand.

Commander Beckwith: Olo custom, I suppose. He couldn't get out of it.

Mr. McCullum said his defence was that the man went aboard as a passenger. There was some difficulty about locking one of the doors and the defendant lent a hand.

The real ship's bo'sun was called and he declared that he did not know the defendant. The watchman, he said, was responsible for locking the grills.

It was the watchman himself who finally cleared up the mystery. He said that in the hurry of locking up the grills he got hold of the wrong padlock and the defendant, who came on board as a passenger, was pointing this out.

Commander Beckwith: The case is dismissed. I am satisfied he was travelling as a passenger on this occasion and was only lending a hand to the watchman who was locking the doors with the police. As far as I can see there was no earthly reason why he should not have been on board.

A five-days' bazaar, originally organised to raise £10,000, which closed at Kelghier, Yorkshire, realised £31,000 net for the local Victoria Hospital.

TENNIS "SCENE."

PLAYER, LINESMAN AND UMPIRE.

YOUR OPINION SOLICITED.

It would be extremely interesting to learn the views of Hongkong tennis players—both ladies and gentlemen—regarding an incident in one of the big London tournaments, the like of which has, happily not occurred on Hongkong courts.

According to one of the Home papers, on October 23, M. J. G. Ritchie (holder), was, "opposed to W. C. Crawley in the round before the semi-finals of the London covered courts lawn tennis championship at Queen's Club. Ritchie was not satisfied with some of the decisions of a lady who was acting on the line, and at the end of the third set he asked a well-known player to act in her place without first consulting the umpire. The umpire, also a lady, objected to Ritchie's action, and at once left the chair. Another umpire and linesman were appointed, and the match finished, Crawley winning a hard struggle by 4-6, 7-5, 6-3, 8-10, 6-0.

Ritchie, as most people know, an international player of high repute, with years of tennis to his credit. Without in any way appearing to be uncharitable, it must be admitted that he believed he had strong grounds for his hasty action. It is usually in "soccer" that dissatisfaction with the referee's decision is openly expressed and tennis would be the last game in which a linesman or umpire would publicly be questioned by a player especially one of Ritchie's standing and experience.

What do local tennis players and officials think? What would lady enthusiasts have done under the circumstances had they been either in the umpire's, linesman's or Ritchie's place? Without reference to rules, was Ritchie within his rights in asking somebody else to officiate as linesman without consulting the umpire. How did he stand as regards "tennis etiquette" with the lady "linesman"?

The China Mail will welcome expressions of opinion on the subject in the hopes of having something to go by should any "scene" ever crop up in game with which the fair sex is connected.

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In a street betting case at Seaham Harbour, Durham, the police stated that the defendants were bookmakers' agents, and as soon as one was convicted he was discharged by his employer, who engaged another man to avoid the heavier fine which would be imposed for a second offence.

THE CADUCEUS.

Printing delay has meant that the October issue of the Caduceus has been somewhat delayed. It is now on the "carpet" and contains the usual collection of original and leading articles, memoranda and annotations in addition to Editorial and comments. Dr. Gibson writes on Medical Diagnosis. Dr. D. J. Valentine writes interestingly on "The powdering effects of pistol shots at short ranges" whilst Dr. Lim has a very interesting article on "Some Native Cures and Superstitions." These are but a few of the many good things in the Journal having a wider appeal than the technical aspect of some of the titles would indicate.

MOVEMENT OF STEAMER.

The B. F. s.s. "Dardanus" from Liverpool left Singapore on Nov. 27 for this port and is due here to-day.

The B. F. s.s. "Takada" left Singapore for this port on Nov. 23 at 2 a.m. and is due here to-day.

The B. F. s.s. "Eastern Prince" from New York sailed from Shanghai on Nov. 20 at 2 p.m. and is expected to arrive here to-day.

The B. F. s.s. "Soudan" left Singapore for this port on Nov. 23 at 2 p.m. and is due here to-morrow.

The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of Russia," Capt. A. J. Hosken, R.N.R., Commander, will leave here for Victoria and Vancouver, B.C., via (Woomung), Nagasaki, Kobe and Yokohama at noon to-morrow.

The B. F. s.s. "Kalyan" left Singapore for this port on November 27, at 1.20 p.m. and is due here on the November 29 at about 2 a.m.

The A.O.L. s.s. "President McKinley" will sail for Seattle and Victoria via Shanghai, Kobe and Yokohama on Nov. 30 at 10 a.m.

The A.O.L. s.s. "President Jackson" which is due here on Dec. 1, arrived at Yokohama on Nov. 28. This steamer has 428 stows U.S. Mail for Hongkong.

The A.O.L. s.s. "Whitland Montana" sailed from Seattle on Oct. 25 and is due here on Dec. 2.

The B. F. s.s. "Benary" from Midland, Antwerp and London left Singapore for this port (via Manila) on Nov. 23 and may be expected to arrive here on Dec. 8.

The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of Canada" arrived at Yokohama on Nov. 24 at 2 a.m. left Yokohama on Nov. 25 at 2 a.m. and is due at Vancouver on Dec. 3.

The B. F. s.s. "Yutan" left Liverpool on Nov. 1 for Singapore, Hongkong, Shanghai and Japan and is due here on or about Dec. 8.

The B. F. s.s. "Patrolus" left Liverpool on Nov. 10 for Shanghai and Hongkong and is due here on Dec. 10.

The A.O.L. s.s. "City of Spokane" sailed from Seattle Oct. 31 and is due here on or about Dec. 10.

The B. F. s.s. "Lomedon" left Liverpool on Nov. 17 for Singapore, Hongkong and Shanghai and is due here on or about Dec. 21.

The B. F. s.s. "Hyson" left Liverpool on Nov. 15 for Singapore, Hongkong, Shanghai and Japan and is due here on or about Dec. 20.

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SHANGHAI via SWATOW	TAISANG	Fri. 7th Dec. 7 a.m.
SHANGHAI via SWATOW	KWONGSANG	Sun. 2nd Dec. 7 a.m.
BANOK via HONGKONG	CHUNGSANG	Sun. 2nd Dec. 10 a.m.
TIENTSIN	TINGSANG	Thurs. 29th Nov. Noon
SHANGHAI via SWATOW	YATSHING	Fri. 30th Nov. 7 a.m.
SHANGHAI via NINGPO	WINGSANG	Fri. 30th Nov. 7 a.m.
MANILA	YUENSANG	Sat. 1st Dec. 11 a.m.
HONGKONG via HONGKONG	LEESANG	Sat. 1st Dec. 11 a.m.
STRAIT and CALCUTTA	KUTSANG	Sat. 1st Dec. 2 p.m.
TSINGTAU via SWATOW & SHANGHAI	WUHSING	Wed. 5th Dec. 7 a.m.
SANDAKAN	MAUSANG	Wed. 5th Dec. 1 p.m.
KORE via SHANGHAI	HOANG	Sat. 8th Dec. 7 a.m.
HONGKONG via HONGKONG	MINGSANG	Sat. 8th Dec. 10 a.m.

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SCHOOL FOR INDIANS.

SIR CLAUD SEVERN
DISTRIBUTES PRIZES.

It was Prize Day to-day at the Ellis Kadoorie School for Indians at Sookunpoo. The prizes were distributed by the Hon Sir Claud Severn, who was supported on the platform by Mr. A. R. Sutherland, Head Master, Mr. Bishen Singh, the Hon. Mr. E. A. Irving, Director of Education, and Mr. U. Rumiya and Mr. A. Silva Netto, members of the Board of Education.

Mr. Sutherland commenced by reading his report for the current year as follows:

As the School Year in future is to begin on December 1, we held our Annual Examination a month earlier this year. During the year, the school was opened 205 times as compared with 226 in 1922. The maximum enrolment decreased from 102 to 101, but the average attendance has improved from 91.8 last year to 94.18. Considering the distance some of the boys travel every morning the attendance has been very good.

THE STAFF:
After the Summer vacation, Mr. Mir Alam Khan was appointed a master in the school and Mr. U. Wing-pui was transferred to Ellis Kadoorie School.

BUILDING:
The roof of the school was badly damaged by the typhoon. It was repaired very soon after the school re-opened. Many trees in the garden grounds were blown down or damaged.

DISCIPLINE:
The discipline of the school has been good. The prefects have been of great assistance throughout the year.

STUDIES:
The school year was a month shorter than usual this year, and the percentage of marks necessary to pass was raised from 50% to 60%. These changes are largely responsible for the greater number of failures in most of the classes, but will, in future, result in increased efficiency. In Class 4 eight boys passed out of 13. Four of these failures obtained more than 50% of the total marks. In the rest of the School 69 boys passed out of 81 examined. Six boys in Class 8B were not examined. They are still learning the alphabet.

Reading, colloquial, and recitation continue to be good; in dictation, arithmetic and grammar there is room for great improvement. In June the new form of script writing was introduced into all classes except 4 and 5. The results have been highly satisfactory.

Urdu reading and writing are good and Urdu colloquial is improving.

GAMES:
We held a very enjoyable sports meeting in March. I think every boy in the school competed in at least one event. We have to thank the Indian Recreation Club for the use of their ground, and the members of the Indian Community for kindly presenting prizes.

Every boy in this school plays games. Cricket and football in winter and tennis in summer. In wet weather they play ping-pong, a game in which they show great skill.

The school garden was very popular during the Summer months, but it has suffered great damage lately from the heavy rains. We hope to have a creditable display of flowers and vegetables by the New Year.

CONCLUSION:
Under the terms of the will of the late Sir Ellis Kadoorie, the school receives \$400 per annum to pay the fees of deserving Indian boys. I have to thank Mr. Rumiya and Mr. Bishen Singh for their great assistance in the difficult

task of allotting the monies. I have to thank Mr. Arculli, Mr. U. Rumiya, and Mr. Nemaze for their assistance in paying the fees of many of the poorer pupils. Including four boys, who receive Government Free Scholarships, 43 boys get free education in this school. I have also to thank Mr. Cassum Ahmad for his annual subscription of \$15 towards the School Prizes.

In conclusion, I should like to take this opportunity, on behalf of the whole school, to congratulate Sir Claud Severn on the well-deserved honour of knighthood that has been recently conferred on him by His Majesty the King, and also to thank him for the many times he has honoured us with his presence on these occasions.

SIR CLAUD'S ADDRESS:
Sir Claud Severn, who received a great ovation, said how pleased he had been when he received an invitation to present the prizes at the Ellis Kadoorie School for Indians, a few days after his return to the Colony. He stated that either himself or his wife had presented the prizes at each gathering since the institution had been opened and it was always a pleasure to both of them to do so. He dwelt on the great debt the School owed to the late Sir Ellis Kadoorie, and said how pleased he always was to come and witness the progress made. He thanked Mr. Sutherland, the other masters and the pupils for the kind manner in which reference had been made to his recent honour at the hands of the King.

Sir Claud next referred to the site being prepared across the valley for Queen's College and hoped that many of the pupils present would eventually become students there and later enter the University. The playing fields at the new site for Queen's College, he said, were among the chief factors which had decided the Government to build there.

The garden was a most pleasant adjunct to the school, and when our new garden cities come into being will prove an asset, since, with the knowledge gained at school, the Indians will be able to utilize their knowledge to make the garden of the future a real use and pleasure.

Sir Claud touched on the subject of sport and exhorted the boys when they left school to join the I.R.C., whose members have done so much to encourage all branches of sport. He was glad to know that there was already close co-operation between the school and the I.R.C., because when the lads grew older they would doubtless join the Club, where games are so fully played. In this connection he mentioned the names of Mr. Rumiya, Mr. Nemaze and Mr. Ahmet for the help they had given.

With reference to the School Report, the speaker said the year had been a satisfactory one, though it had only been one of eleven months. The fact that health and discipline were good was a great factor.

In conclusion, Sir Claud stated that, though some of the pupils' activities were not strictly part of school work, they were all part of a sound education and he trusted the boys would take full advantage of them. He wished them all a prosperous new year, commencing December 1, and hoped he would have the pleasure of meeting them all again.

PRIZES DISTRIBUTION:
Sir Claud then proceeded to hand the prizes to the recipients, for each

ROXOR

MOSQUITO DANGER.

LARVAE IN OLD POST
OFFICE BUILDING.

BUILDING CONTRACTOR FINED.

Allowing mosquito larvae to breed in the new building on the old Post Office site was the basis of a complaint laid against the contractor by the Sanitary Department in a summons heard by Mr. R. E. A. Webster this morning. Inspector Lockhart prosecuted and Mr. R. E. A. Webster represented the contractor, Ng Wah. The offence mentioned on the summons was one of non-compliance with a Magistrate's order in that he did not take steps to prevent mosquitoes breeding in that building.

According to Inspector Lockhart, defendant had been fined on September 7. He, the Inspector, visited the premises on September 14 and found everything to his satisfaction. On November 7 he took samples of stagnant water lying in pools in the basement of the building and found them to contain mosquito larvae. The Inspector also stated that the basement was used to keep sand and stones required in the upper part of the building and instead of having a channel to take the water off, defendant had allowed it to drip into the basement, where the accumulation was two or three feet deep in places. Answering Mr. Webster, Inspector Lockhart admitted that there was a pump in the basement but said that it was not always working as it was sometimes choked.

His Worship suggested that kerosene be sprinkled on the basement when the pump was turned off at night. He fined the contractor \$20 and made an order for the place to be made fit and kept fit for two months, to the satisfaction of the Sanitary Department, at the same time instructing the Inspector to give all the assistance he could to the defendant.

LOCAL CRIME.

ANOTHER ROBBERY WITH
VIOLENCE.

At 9.30 last night, two men entered the Wing Fat grocery at No. 85, Kowloon City Road, Hung Hom, just as the staff was about to put up the shutters for the night. By means of a revolver and a dagger they easily gained the upper hand. After turning up all the inmates they took the safe-key from the master and extracted \$1,000 in money from the safe. They remained on the premises for about half an hour before decamping.

HARBOUR BLAZE.

"ANJOU" ON FIRE.

At about 5.30 this morning, the steamer "Anjou" was found to be on fire. When the Central Brigade arrived it was noticed that some cabins on the upper deck, near the galley, on the starboard side, were ablaze. The ship was at the time, alongside the Yeung Tai Hing wharf at Connaught Road. Fortunately, the starboard was away from the wharf and when the Fire Float arrived, the monitor was able to put out the flames in a few minutes.

The s.s. "Anjou" is a small steamer with British captain and chief officer and has a passenger licence. The cause of the fire is not yet known and the owners, the Tung Lee S. S. Co. are not in a position to assess the damage.

TYPHOON WARNING.

The Telegram quoted below was received from the Manila Observatory at noon to-day: "Typhoon E. of northern Luzon more than 300 miles distant inclining northward."

of whom he had a few words of congratulation and encouragement. The prize-winners follow, those marked with an asterisk winning scholarships also.

CLASS IV.
Omar Hassan *
Ghulam, Mahomed
Osman Sadick

CLASS V.
M. Rumiya *
Sachan Singh
Farid Jamal

CLASS VI.
Gurbachan Singh
Ali Ahmed

CLASS VII.
Feroz Dill *
Abdul Rahman

CLASS VIII.
Genthi Singh
S. M. Rumiya

CLASS IX.
Fender Khan
Amir Bachoo

EMPIRE EXHIBITION.

EXHIBITS AND EXHIBITORS.

The following is a list of the Exhibits and Exhibitors taking part in the Hongkong Section of the British Empire Exhibition:—

Hongkong & Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd.
Talkoo Dockyard & Engineering Co., Ltd.

Mr. W. Sinclair: Exhibition of Model Stage-sets (Chinese and others).

Model of the Colony of Hongkong, including Hongkong by night, Association of Exporters and Dealers of Hongkong: Exhibit of Samples of the principal South China products exported through Hongkong merchants.

Chinese Exhibitors:
Wah Mee Co., 37, Queen's Road Central—Silk, piece goods, lace, etc. Shing Yuk Chik Kai, 8, Gate, Sun Wei City—Bamboo ware, palm leaf fans, etc.

Hang Cheung Shing, 43, Queen's Road Central—Korean furniture and matting.

Yue Ching Shing, 85, Queen's Road Central—Tea.

Koon Yick, 160, Des Vaux Road Central—Preserved and canned goods.

Nanyang Bros. Tobacco Co., Hongkong—Cigarettes.

Sin Tak Loong—Preserved and canned goods.

Tung King Kung Wei, 134, No. 2 Street, West Point—One miniature scaffolding.

The China Co., Hongkong and Shanghai Bank Building—Ivory ware, embroidery, blackwood ware, bamboo ware, brass, curios, tiles, sweets, preserved ginger, stones, cooking utensils, lacquer ware, etc.

C. Ah Yung, 22, Connaught Road Central—Canned goods, grass, bamboo ware, matting.

Ohn Woon Man, 22, Connaught Road Central—China sunshades, silver ware, embroidery, bamboo ware, blackwood furniture, precious stones and pictures.

Sincere Co., Des Vaux Road Central—China produce.

Swatow Co., Old Post Office Building—Ivory, glass, pewter ware, embroidery, blackwood screen, Tientsin carpets, etc.

Lan Chak Tong, c/o Andersen, Meyer & Co.—Jade, pearls, embroidery, ivory ware, etc.

Lee Tung Hang, Swatow—Porcelain.

Ng Wo Ho, Wa Ye Ho, Queen's Road West—Canned goods.

Cheung Yung Road, 24, Hollywood Road—Jade.

Wang Hing, 10, Queen's Road Central—Silverware.

Wong Chow, Foo—Human hair goods.

Chen Chuk Quen—Ancient Incense Burner.

King Wah Yung Hong, 4, Yung Wah Street, Canton—China, blackwood ware, rattan ware, bamboo ware, preserved ginger, silk embroidery, matting, ivory ware, raw silk, cocoons, curios, etc.

Wang On Co., Des Vaux Road—Silver ware, ivory ware, cloisonne, porcelain, blackwood furniture, etc.

China Produce Co., 8, Wing Lok Street—Ivory ware, embroidery, carvings, pastries, blackwood furniture, lamp shades, etc.

King Shum, 68, Wing Lok Street—Jade goods, curios, jade and general merchandise.

Hang Fong Tea Co., 67, Des Vaux Road—China "Koo Loo" tea.

Cheng Man Chai Calculator Co., 149, Connaught Road—Calculating apparatus.

Shing Yung Raincoat Co., 120, Des Vaux Road—Ladies' and gents' raincoats.

Yee Hun Loong, Hollywood Road—Porcelain.

Yee Chun Ho, c/o Tong Hop Ho, Wing Lok Street—Oyster oil and lemon condiment.

China Tea Co., 1A, Victoria Street—Tea.

Hon. Hing Yung Hong, 54, Queen's Road Central—Silk socks and China produce.

Sin Ying Chow, c/o Hon Hing Yung Hong—Curios.

Swatow Piece Goods Guild—Silk embroidery, etc.

Yue Lee Yuen, 22, Wo Hing Street W.—Rattan, bamboo ware, matting, etc.

The China Agricultural & Forestry Co., 16, Des Vaux Road Central—Jade, sunshades, curios, pictures, embroidery, etc. lacquer, rattan ware, native textiles, etc.

Wah Lan Embroidery Dealers, 22, Square Street—Ladies' embroidered underwear, lacquer ware and sunshades.

Chan Lee Chai, 2, Ko Shing Street—Chinese wine.

Kwong On Ku, 2, Ko Shing Street—Chinese wine.

Hung Lan Chow, Ko Shing Street—Chinese wine.

Ho Chan Kee, 347, Queen's Road Central—Cigars.

Yot Chen & Co., 37, Queen's Road Central—Lacquer, brass ware, curios, embroidery, toys and engraved goods.

Ho Shu Shu—Silk, cocoons and weaving apparatus.

Chan Shing & Co., 66, Wing Lok Street—Porcelain.

Wo Cheung, 20, Sun Tao Lai, Canton—Porcelain, silk embroidery, blackwood furniture, bamboo ware,

HONGKONG CONSTRUCTION.

FIRST ANNUAL MEETING.

GOOD MAKE OF PUBLIC WORKS.

The first ordinary yearly meeting was held in the Hongkong Hotel to-day of the Hongkong and Construction Co., Ltd. The meeting took place at noon and was presided over by Mr. J. Scott Harston. Others present were:—Sir Paul Chater, Mr. J. H. Taggart, Mr. A. L. Shields and Father Souvey (Directors); Mr. S. Courtney Cook (Secretary) and the following shareholders:—Messrs. A. L. Bridger, F. M. Crawford, F. J. Easterbrook, L. Gain, C. H. Lyson, Felix Ellis, A. J. Edgar and P. K. Kwok.

In the course of his speech the Chairman said:—As the report, accounts and auditors' report have been in your hands for several days, I propose, with your permission, to adopt the usual procedure and treat the same as read. You will doubtless have noticed from the report and accounts before you that the latter cover a period of eight months only, that is down to the 30th June, 1923, and that the next balance sheet will be made up to the 31st December, 1923. The object of this is to render it possible for future accounting periods to end on the 31st December in each year.

The debit balance of \$47,226.48 shown in the profit and loss account—which your directors recommend should be carried forward—may be regarded as of a temporary character only, since it is more than offset by the fact that we have now got together an organisation consisting of an experienced technical staff and the necessary plant, equipment, and other facilities for the execution of large and important works of construction. Furthermore, the working account for this period has been charged with certain expenses connected with the preparation of tenders for contracts which have since been secured.

A special department has been formed for carrying out public works for the Hongkong Government, and this department is now engaged on contracts of an estimated value of approximately \$1,000,000. Your directors feel justified in anticipating that the Company will be successful in securing a fair share of the work involved in the important schemes which are now being pushed forward by the Government, particularly as the Company, as already mentioned, is in a favourable position to undertake contracts of that nature.

A matter which will no doubt be of interest to shareholders is that we have obtained the sole rights for Hongkong and China generally in the execution of a special method of foundation piling known as the "Franki" Piling System. It is claimed that this system of piling, which is already being extensively used in Europe, is more reliable and less costly than any other method hitherto employed in the Colony for the preparation of foundations. We propose to develop this branch of our work as much as possible, and I may mention that a start has been made in this Colony by the use of this method of piling in connection with the foundations of the Peninsula Hotel at Kowloon. The extremely severe tests that have recently been applied to the completed piles which have been put down in connection with the last mentioned foundations have fully demonstrated the efficiency and superiority of this system of piling.

Our experience to date indicates that, in order to reap the full benefit of our organisation, the Company should devote itself as much as possible to large works of a public nature and particularly those requiring close technical supervision, such as reinforced concrete structures, etc. Your Directors feel that such a policy will meet with a fair measure of success in establishing for the Company a reputation for reliable constructional and engineering work.

I now beg to formally propose that the report and accounts of the Company covering the period, 28th October, 1922 to 30th June, 1923, as presented be adopted, and I shall be much obliged if some shareholder will kindly second such proposal, whereupon questions as to the report and accounts may be raised.

The motion having been seconded by Mr. P. K. Kwok and carried unanimously, the appointment of Mr. Scott Harston as a Director was confirmed on the motion of Mr. F. J. Easterbrook, seconded by Mr. F. J. Easterbrook. Mr. J. W. Noble and Father Souvey were re-elected Directors on the motion of Mr. R. L. Bridger, seconded by Mr. L. Gain and Messrs. Lowe, Bingham & Matthews were re-elected auditors for the ensuing half year at a remuneration of \$800 in respect of the period from October 28, 1922, to December 31, 1923, on the motion of Mr. C. H. Lyson, seconded by Mr. Felix Ellis.

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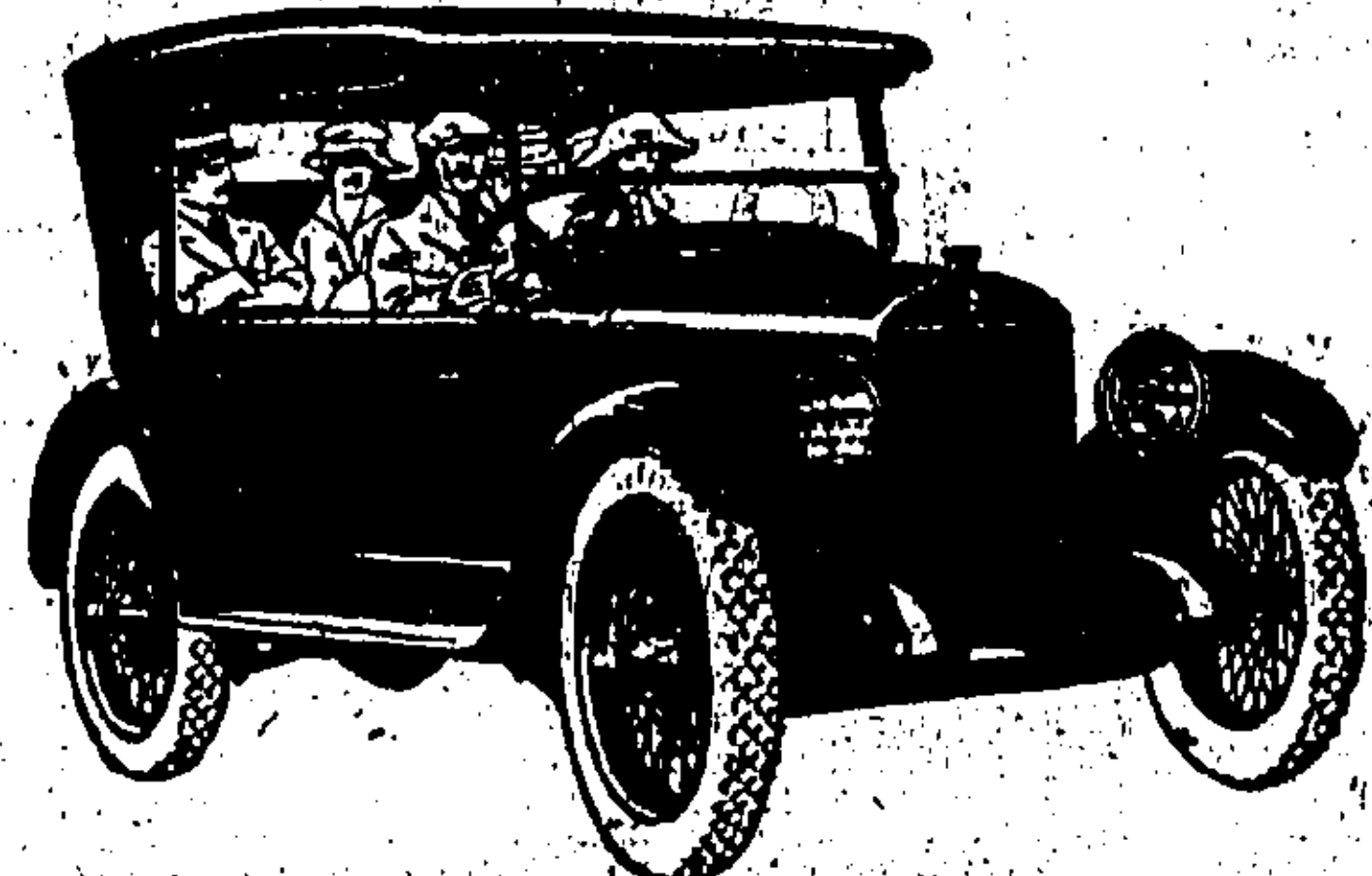
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REVIEW OF SATURDAY'S NOMINATIONS.

[BY ARGUS.]

At Happy Valley on Saturday afternoon, the curtain will be rung down on racing for 1923 with a card of seven events. There is, it is true, some talk of another gymkhana being held before the Spring Meeting, but it is scarcely likely in view of certain work that has to be carried out on the course.

The first race on Saturday, the Hamilton Sprint (5 furlongs), has attracted Kileen (155), Jadestone (155), Malvern (155), Skylight (155), Chessman (152), Discard (150), Fire King (150), Mopoke (149), Olive Leaf (149), Maine (149).

Mopoke, on his second to Arizona last meeting, appears the best on the book, but Olive Leaf and Fire King must not be left out of the reckoning. Of these three, probably Olive Leaf is the most trustworthy and, if Mr. Scores sides, I expect he will just about win. Jadestone is credited with some fast times in training and may upset all calculations. The distance is too far for Malvern, though he has covered 4 furlongs in 60 sec. If Chessman does not wear himself out at the post, he is nearly certain to get a place and no win would be more popular.

The second event is the Kilmarnock Handicap ("A" class 6 furlongs).

The following names appear: Ramsbury (163), Strathfarrar (157), Violet Leaf (156), Speckled Mouse (156), Bluebottle (155), Clover Leaf (155), Petrol King (154), Ragtime (151), Rivergrass (150), Laurel Leaf (150), Sovereign Bill (150), Arizona (150), Drake (149), Country Mouse (149), Gold Bill (149), Adonis (147), Penelope (146), Copper Bill (144), I hear that both Speckled Mouse and Gold Bill are lame, but Mr. "Bill" has other nominations, while Mr. Humphreys can rely on Country Mouse. I expect the field will be reduced to Strathfarrar, Bluebottle, Arizona, Country Mouse and a representative from the Carroll and Bill stables. Now that the going is "on the top" I fancy Bluebottle will stall off all comers despite the fact that Arizona, in receipt of 3 lbs., beat him over this distance on the first day of last meeting, when Mopoke split the pair. The going will suit Strathfarrar also. The latter meets Country Mouse on qibs. better terms than when they met over a mile in the Shek O Handicap last meeting, which should reverse the placing.

The third race is the St. Andrew's Quailch (1½ miles). Thirteen names figure on the card, but I anticipate a small field. I understand the following are certain to face the starter: Ramsbury (163), Silver Bill (163), Penelope (157), Kukaburra (152), Ivy Leaf (152), The Gambler (144). I am told that Kukaburra will win as he likes at the weights, but I shall pin my faith to Ramsbury. He has 165 lbs. to carry over the tiring journey, but with 3 lbs. less in the saddle, he won the November Handicap (1¼ miles) in 2.44, which is the fastest time recorded in gymkhana this year. Ivy Leaf and Kukaburra both get in at weight for 140 lbs., but Penelope has a 5 lb. penalty. On recent form—despite a lapse or two—Mr. Boyd's latest purchase is certainly the pick. At any rate, these four can stay the distance and should furnish the placed horses. Yellow River I expect to see reserved for the Champions.

The next on the card is the Trossachs Handicap (1 mile). Seventeen have been entered, of which the following may face the starter: Ramsbury (163), Silver Bill (163), Penelope (157), Kukaburra (152), Ivy Leaf (152), The Gambler (144). I am told that Kukaburra will win as he likes at the weights, but I shall pin my faith to Ramsbury. He has 165 lbs. to carry over the tiring journey, but with 3 lbs. less in the saddle, he won the November Handicap (1¼ miles) in 2.44, which is the fastest time recorded in gymkhana this year. Ivy Leaf and Kukaburra both get in at weight for 140 lbs., but Penelope has a 5 lb. penalty. On recent form—despite a lapse or two—Mr. Boyd's latest purchase is certainly the pick. At any rate, these four can stay the distance and should furnish the placed horses. Yellow River I expect to see reserved for the Champions.

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OBITUARY.

MR. HECTOR W. SASSOON.

The news of the sudden death in London of Mr. Hector William Sassoon, which was received by cable yesterday, came as a shock to many friends. Mr. Hector Sassoon, who was a director of the well known firm of Messrs. E. D. Sassoon and Co., Ltd., had not resided in the Colony for more than about three years, but in that time made a wide circle of friends. He left with Mrs. Sassoon, early in the present year, to spend the summer at home and had intended visiting India on his way back to Hongkong, but he fell ill at home and his death occurred on Saturday last following upon a surgical operation. Mr. Sassoon was only about 35 years of age, and it is hardly necessary to add that deep sympathy is felt for Mrs. Sassoon in her sudden bereavement.

The flag of the Hongkong Club was at half-mast yesterday as a token of the regret of the members.

Mr. Sassoon was on the directorates of several local companies, including the Hongkong Land Investment Co., the Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., the Canton Insurance Office, the Hongkong Fire Insurance Office, and the Peak Tramways Co.

Mr. Hector Sassoon, as a member of Hongkong Jockey Club, owned a stable which figured prominently at the 1922 and 1923 race meetings. At the annual meeting last March he stood second among the successful owners with 6 firsts, 3 seconds and 5 thirds. His "Roman Republic" won the Champion Stakes.

starter: Bluebottle (159), Orient Dahlia (156), Arizona (155), Rivergrass (154), Drake (154), Country Mouse (154), Ding Dong (141), Olive Leaf (140). The first named is a doubtful starter if he wins the second event, entailing a 7 lb. penalty. At the weight Drake should win if only he will put his heart into it. Rivergrass has been kindly treated and may prove the best on the day in view of Drake's dislike to the game. In the absence of Bluebottle, Rivergrass is certainly a safe wager each way.

We next come to the Gorbals Galop (3 class handicap 6 furlongs). Presumably this will produce the biggest field of the day as follows: Bandicoot (162), Roman Sparrow (158), Finvoy (156), Knockah Leg (156), Silver (154), Dandy Kid (152), Fire King (152), Chessman (152), Lightning (151), Skylight (147), Maine (145). I expect to see the top-weight register a long awaited victory for Dr. Kew. Roman Sparrow must always be borne in mind over this distance, while Knockah Leg is also to be reckoned with. Dandy Kid is the best gamble for a place.

The penultimate race is the Dumfries Plate (1 mile) for which a dozen entries have been received. The conditions are weight for inches plus penalties. We shall probably see another big field in this event. The entries are Rivergrass (168), Country Mouse (165), Violet Leaf (164), Gold Bill (163), Silver Bill (163), Bluebottle (162), Ding Dong (160), Arizona (159), Sovereign Bill (158), Laurel Leaf (158), Maine (149), Olive Leaf (144). In all probability Bluebottle will start in this race in preference to race 4 and should win unless the Carroll stables have a dark horse. Silver Bill and Arizona should prove the next best.

The final event is the Hongkong Gymkhana Champions (W. I. 1¼ miles). The probable starters are Fern Leaf (158), Starland (155), Petrol King (155), Ramsbury (155), Yellow River (158), Orient Dahlia (155), Drake (155).

One need not look beyond Ramsbury, Fernleaf and Starland for the placed horses if all show their true form and I fancy them in the order named.

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Twenty Christian names are given below. Select the ten you consider the most popular and write them out in the order of your choice. Then cut the form out and send it to the "China Mail" office marked "Vote."

The list which comes nearest the correct solution will win the prize. The correct solution will be decided by the general vote, the item polling the most votes being placed first, the one coming next being placed second and so on until the list of ten is completed.

Therefore the secret of the contest is /Not to select the ten most popular items in alphabetical order from our list. But to select the ten most popular names from our list and judge what place each individually will occupy—which will come first, which second, and so on until all ten have been placed.

The contest lasts from Monday to Saturday. The result will be announced in the "China Mail" on the succeeding Wednesday, when the winner's name will be published along with the correct list.

Every copy of the "China Mail" contains one form giving the reader one try for the prize. Regular readers thus have not less than six tries in one week. Competitors may send in as many forms as they like.

Forms should be sent in to reach the "China Mail" by Monday. Any forms received by the "China Mail" later than Monday will be discounted.

When making your choice use only the words given below. Any forms wrongly marked, mutilated, or indistinctly written will be ruled out.

The decision of the Editor upon any points which may arise shall be final. Members of the "China Mail" staff are debarred from entering the contest.

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Below we give twenty Christian names. Select the ten you think the most popular.

- 1... Archibald
- 2... Benjamin
- 3... Claude
- 4... Cyril
- 5... Douglas
- 6... Edwin
- 7... Ernest
- 8... Frederick
- 9... Gilbert
- 10... Harold
- 11... James
- 12... Leonard
- 13... Norman
- 14... Patrick
- 15... Peter
- 16... Reginald
- 17... Roger
- 18... Stanley
- 19... Timothy
- 20... Wilfred

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To the Editor
China Mail, Hongkong, November 28, 1923.
Hongkong.

Sir,
I consider the following the ten most popular Christian names from the above list, placed in the order in which I think they are liked best:—

Please write clearly in block letters.

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HONGKONG CHINA & JAPAN



Governor J. C. Walton, Okla.

The latest photograph of Governor J. C. Walton, of Oklahoma, who is waging a military war on the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan.

W. E. D. STOKES

202 WEST 72nd ST.
NEW YORK.
Mr. E. D. Stokes
105 W. Washington St.
Chicago, Ill.

August 28th, 1923.

Dear Sir:

Tours of August 24th to hand. I am sorry we have not received any affidavits from you - we are getting them all the time. As you state that Tapley has found one employee of the Everleigh Club who knew the subject and will make an affidavit that does not mean anything to me, if you would only give me the names and particulars, I could trace them down, because I may have his or her affidavit already, and I might know how to get the other.

Since August 24th, I have not received the affidavits that you were to get in the Tapley matter.

As Mrs. Miller and Mrs. Stokes both told me that Mrs. Stokes was born in Spencer, near Delah, but when they were on the stand, Mrs. Miller and Mrs. Stokes both testified that Helen was born in Denver, Colo.

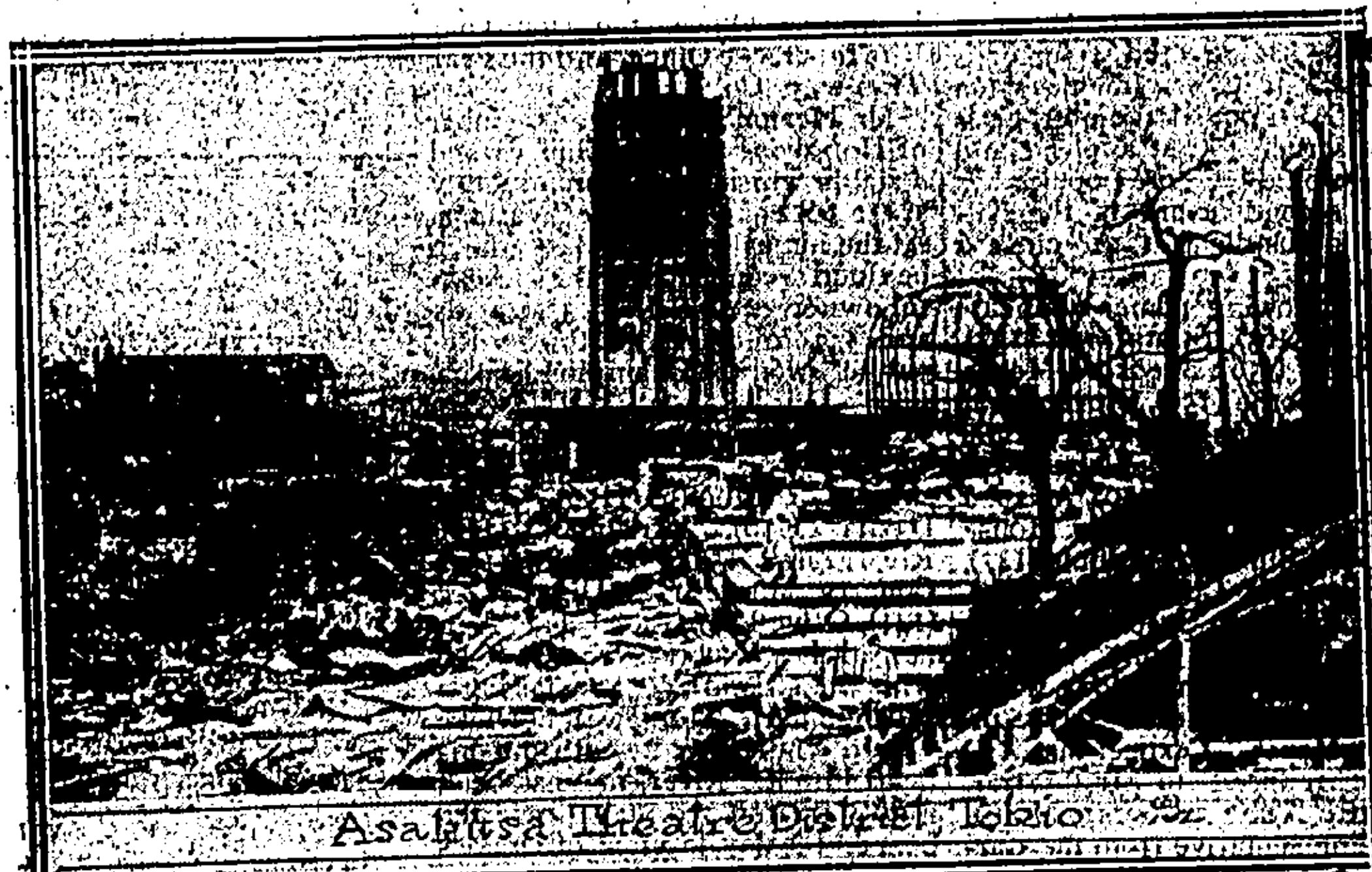
As regards Lorraine Wood, she gave no several leads that were very important, especially regarding Clarence McCormick. She was the first woman in Chicago who told me about Mrs. S. associating with Clarence McCormick, so she must have known something about her. I heard of Lorraine Wood here in New York, and when I went to find her, I was told she had died of the flu, and that she was a friend of a colored man named Dick Ellis, who took her furniture. She must have known Mrs. Stokes here in New York also.

Stokes evidence.

In the State's Attorney's investigation the charges made in Chicago by Mrs. Helen Elwood Stokes that her husband, W. E. D. Stokes, multi-millionaire New York sportsman, victim of the "shooting show girls," is seeking by conspiracy to defame her reputation, private letters from Stokes to a Chicago detective agency were seized. These letters indicate that Stokes was seeking affidavits to prove that Mrs. Stokes was formerly a member of the notorious Everleigh Club, in Chicago. In his divorce action in New York, which he lost, Stokes even named his son by his first wife as one of the co-respondents, but later withdrew that charge. Although Stokes lost the suit, the trial judge, died before signing the decree, and the case must be tried again. It is in the preparation for that trial that Stokes is charged with conspiring to secure perjured affidavits.



This photograph shows the Police Bureau Building, in Tokio, in flames in the great earthquake and conflagration that cost hundreds of thousands of lives in Japan. It was here the fire started which almost wiped out Tokio, and from here it spread to other buildings.



The above photograph shows the Asakusa theatre district of Tokio after the disastrous earthquake. In the middle background may be seen the remains of a twelve-story tower which collapsed from the seventh storey, killing 500 persons who were in the building at the time. Charred ruins, still smouldering, may be seen all about.



Here is a scene snapped in Tokio immediately after the first terrific earthquake shock, but before the beginning of the fire which swept the Japanese capital. Note how some of the native houses had collapsed, while others remained standing. This entire district was shortly afterward wiped out by flames.



Gov. Friend W. Richardson, Cal.

Governor Friend W. Richardson, of California, has emphatically denied that he promised a political appointment to George D. Hardwick, former secretary to A. E. Boynton, Chairman of the California Republican State Committee, for causing the publication of the now famous "Johnson to McClatchy Letter." Hardwick is said to have confessed that he took the letter from Senator Hiram Johnson out of the files and gave excerpts to a San Francisco newspaper.



This photograph, alleged to be that of a former inmate of the notorious Everleigh Club, of Chicago, is held by the State's Attorney in Chicago, as part of the evidence on which Mrs. Helen Elwood Stokes, wife of W. E. D. Stokes, New York multi-millionaire, is seeking indictments against several persons on charges of conspiracy and perjury. Mrs. Stokes alleges that her husband, who has lost one divorce action against her in New York, is attempting to get former inmates to identify this picture as hers and to swear that under the name of "Helen Norwood" Mrs. Stokes, before her marriage, was also an inmate of the resort. Indictments are anticipated.

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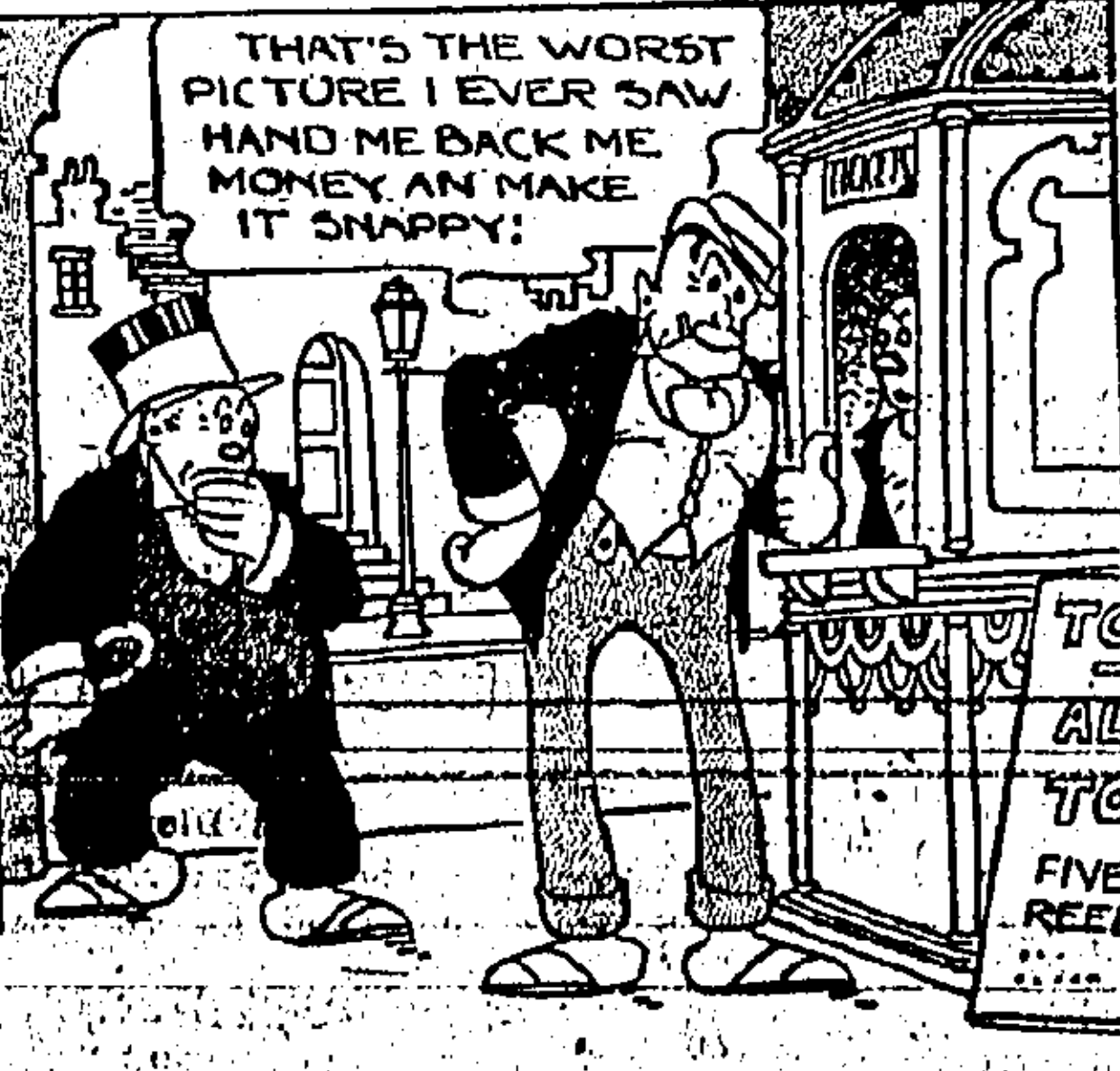
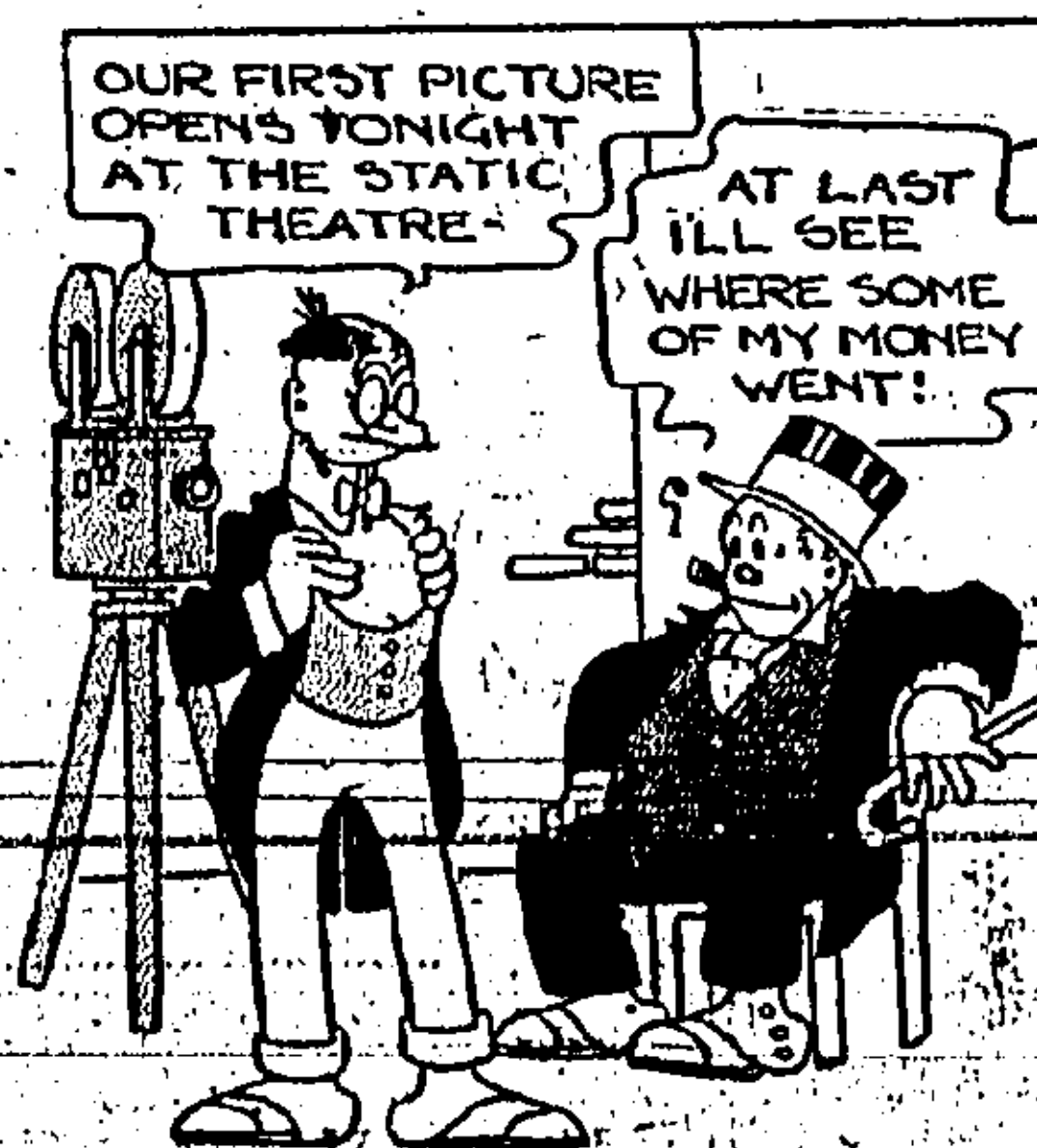
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EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

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ELECTION NEWS.

LONDON, November 26.
Mr. Lloyd George, speaking at Newcastle, said the Liberals intended to build the foundations of social reforms they had previously laid. For example, the development of national insurance, provision for widows and orphans, housing problem and an increase in the unemployment allowances.
Lord Birkenhead, at Aberystwyth, predicted that the Labour Party would fail in the present election and thereafter nothing would be heard from the Labour platform of a capital levy.
Mr. J. H. Thomas, at Derby, said he believed the election would result in a state made and he declared that protection had already been killed.
Mr. Churchill, at Leicester, declared that Mr. Baldwin had carefully shrouded his proposals in mystery, so that Lord Derby could run about Lancashire saying that Protection was only a temporary peg, while the Premier could say elsewhere that we should want it in the remote future.
Mr. Baldwin, at Bristol, asserted that if unfair English monopolies were caused by Protection, these could be taken without consulting the industries concerned as to whether raw materials should enter free or whether the manufacturers would be entitled to a drawback.

LIQUOR SMUGGLING.

WASHINGTON, November 26.
At the American-Canadian Liquor Smuggling Conference which is to be held at Ottawa on November 27 the United States will propose that Canada shall prohibit the departure of ships with cargoes of liquor to the United States; that searching and seizure of vessels engaged in smuggling on the Great Lakes be authorized, and that a treaty or arrangement be made for the extradition of persons accused of violating the United States liquor laws.
The American proposals also include a request that the Canadian Authorities shall refuse clearance to ships under 260 tons with liquor cargoes, regardless of their proposed destination, and measures to prevent land smuggling, including official reports of all shipments of liquor by motor-cars and aeroplanes.

GERMAN CABINET.

BERLIN, November 26.
Herr Albert has abandoned his attempt at Cabinet making. This is owing to the fact that all Parties in the Reichstag are opposing a non-Party Cabinet. In the meanwhile, at the instigation of the German Nationalist and Bourgeois Parties negotiations are proceeding with regard to the possibility of forming a Bourgeois Cabinet, composed of representatives of the German Nationalists, Centre and German People's Party which would have to reckon with the opposition of the Socialists and Communists, and, at most, the neutrality of the Democrats.
While the Centre will make collaboration on their part conditional on the Government governing constitutionally and the Treaty of Versailles being regarded as binding. Herr Jarres, who was Minister of the Interior in the Stresemann Cabinet, will be a candidate for the Chancellorship if such a Cabinet be formed.

MISSIONARIES FIRED ON.

PEKING, November 27.
The vernacular newspapers report that the French Legation has complained to the Waichiao that a party of French missionaries who were travelling from Paoching to Changsha recently were fired on by Chinese soldiers, several being wounded.

PEKING PARS.

PEKING, November 26.
President Tsao K'un entertained the diplomats to luncheon, a performance by Mei Fung-ling following.
EDUCATION.
Huang Fu, Minister of Education, held a conference with the chiefs of his department on Saturday, with the result that the two months' walk-out on the part of the staff will end to-day, when the staffs will resume duty.

RAILWAY PROTECTION.

Mr. Ling-chia, T'ali of Anhui, has telegraphed to the Cabinet endorsing the establishment of the Railway Protection Bureau, adding that he is sending General Tien Chin-chang to Peking in order to secure the co-ordination of the work of the Bureau.

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FROM SINGAPORE.

Nov. 28.—B. I. Takada,
29.—U.S.S.B. West Prospect.

FROM JAVA.

Nov. 30.—J.C.J.L. Tjismack,
Dec. 4.—J.C.J.L. Tjismack.

FROM JAPAN.

Nov. 31.—J.C.J.L. Tjismack.

FROM MANILA.

Dec. 8.—U.S.S.B. West Marwah.

FROM CALCUTTA.

Nov. 28.—B. I. Takada.

FROM SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

Dec. 10.—E. A. Arafura,
Jan. 7.—E. A. St Albans,
Feb. 1.—E. A. Eastern,
Mar. 7.—E. A. Arafura,
Apr. 4.—E. A. St Albans.

FROM YANCOOVER.

Dec. 13.—B. F. Philoctetes,
Jan. 10.—B. F. Tyndareus,
30.—B. F. Tyndareus,
Feb. 27.—B. F. Achilles,
Mar. 19.—B. F. Philoctetes,
Apr. 9.—B. F. Tyndareus.

FROM PORTLAND.

Dec. 9.—U.S.S.B. West Keas.

FROM LOS ANGELES AND
SAN FRANCISCO.

Nov. 23.—U.S.S.B. West Ivan.

FROM SEATTLE.

Nov. 28.—A.O.L. Pres. McKinley,
Dec. 2.—A.O.L. Wlad Montana,
13.—B. F. Philoctetes,
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30.—B. F. Tyndareus,
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FROM EUROPEAN PORTS.

Dec. 5.—B. I. Bonary,
10.—B. I. Olden,
13.—H.A.L. Rheinland,
Jan. 30.—H.A.L. Vortland.

FROM LONDON.

Nov. 29.—P. & O. Soudan,
30.—P. & O. Soudan,
Dec. 3.—G. L. Glentara,
10.—G. L. Glentara,
14.—P. & O. Macedonia,
14.—G. L. Carnarvonshire,
27.—G. L. Glentara,
28.—P. & O. Kashgar,
Jan. 4.—P. & O. Kashgar,
10.—G. L. Glentara,
11.—P. & O. Marse,
25.—P. & O. Kapapala,
31.—P. & O. Soudan,
Feb. 8.—P. & O. Soudan,
22.—P. & O. Soudan,
Mar. 7.—P. & O. China,
19.—P. & O. China,
31.—P. & O. Kashgar,
Apr. 3.—P. & O. Kashgar,
17.—P. & O. Kashgar,
May 1.—P. & O. Kashgar.

FROM LIVERPOOL.

Nov. 19.—B. F. Laidmonon,
Dec. 4.—B. F. Menelaos,
11.—B. F. Patroclus,
19.—B. F. Tyndareus,
23.—B. F. Laidmonon,
30.—B. F. Tyndareus,
31.—B. F. Tyndareus,
Jan. 6.—B. F. Mentor,
14.—B. F. Tyndareus,
20.—B. F. Tyndareus,
27.—B. F. Tyndareus,
Feb. 4.—B. F. Demodocus,
10.—B. F. Tyndareus,
17.—B. F. Tyndareus.

FROM HAMBURG.

Dec. 28.—H.A.L. Rheinland.

FROM COPENHAGEN.

Dec. 2.—E. A. Malaya,
10.—E. A. Annam,
Jan. 8.—E. A. Asia,
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during the years 1908-9.

The zero of the table corresponds with
the zero of the sounding in the Admiralty
Chart, which has been found to be 4 feet
below the mean sea-level.

To obtain the depth of water on the
tide gauge at the Victoria Naval Yard
add 8 feet 4 inches, and on the gauge at
Lamont Dock, Aberdeen, add 10 feet
inches to the height given in the table.

No vember 22 to 28, 1923.

High Water Low Water

Day of Week Month Day Hour Height Day of Week Month Day Hour Height

THUR. 22 Nov. 10 5.50 2.50 23 Nov. 11 6.00 2.40

FRI. 23 Nov. 11 6.10 2.30 24 Nov. 12 6.20 2.20

SAT. 24 Nov. 12 6.30 2.10 25 Nov. 13 6.40 2.00

SUN. 25 Nov. 13 6.50 1.50 26 Nov. 14 7.00 1.40

MON. 26 Nov. 14 7.10 1.30 27 Nov. 15 7.20 1.20

TUE. 27 Nov. 15 7.30 1.10 28 Nov. 16 7.40 1.00

WED. 28 Nov. 16 7.50 0.50 29 Nov. 17 8.00 0.40

THUR. 29 Nov. 17 8.10 0.30 30 Nov. 18 8.20 0.20

FRI. 30 Nov. 18 8.30 0.10 1 Dec. 19 8.40 0.00

SAT. 1 Dec. 19 8.50 0.00 2 Dec. 20 9.00 0.00

SUN. 2 Dec. 20 9.10 0.00 3 Dec. 21 9.20 0.00

MON. 3 Dec. 21 9.30 0.00 4 Dec. 22 9.40 0.00

TUE. 4 Dec. 22 9.50 0.00 5 Dec. 23 10.00 0.00

WED. 5 Dec. 23 10.10 0.00 6 Dec. 24 10.20 0.00

THUR. 6 Dec. 24 10.30 0.00 7 Dec. 25 10.40 0.00

FRI. 7 Dec. 25 10.50 0.00 8 Dec. 26 11.00 0.00

SAT. 8 Dec. 26 11.10 0.00 9 Dec. 27 11.20 0.00

SUN. 9 Dec. 27 11.30 0.00 10 Dec. 28 11.40 0.00

MON. 10 Dec. 28 11.50 0.00 11 Dec. 29 12.00 0.00

TUE. 11 Dec. 29 12.10 0.00 12 Dec. 30 12.20 0.00

WED. 12 Dec. 30 12.30 0.00 13 Jan. 1 12.40 0.00

THUR. 13 Jan. 1 12.50 0.00 14 Jan. 2 13.00 0.00

FRI. 14 Jan. 2 13.10 0.00 15 Jan. 3 13.20 0.00

SAT. 15 Jan. 3 13.30 0.00 16 Jan. 4 13.40 0.00

SUN. 16 Jan. 4 13.50 0.00 17 Jan. 5 14.00 0.00

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TIME TABLE

WEEK DAYS.

7.00 a.m. to 7.10 a.m. Every 15 Minutes

7.30 " 7.40 " " " " "

8.00 " 8.10 " " " " "

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INWARD MAILS.

From
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 28.
LONDON Letters via Bridget 30th Oct. Dardanus
Straits 30th Oct. 3.30 p.m. Tabada
Shanghai 30th Oct. 3.30 p.m. Shanghai

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 29.
Shanghai 30th Oct. 3.30 p.m. Yinchow
Straits 30th Oct. 3.30 p.m. Jordan
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 1.
EUROPE via Suez (Letters and Papers London 1st)
Nov and Europe 24th Oct. 3.30 p.m. Khiva
U.S.A. Japan and Shanghai 24th Oct. 3.30 p.m. Pers. Jackson

OUTWARD MAILS.

For
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 28.
Bangkok 30th Oct. 3.30 p.m. Dax
Amoy and Foochow 30th Oct. 3.30 p.m. Minncaster Castle 3.30 p.m.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 29.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow 30th Oct. 3.30 p.m. Taiwan Maru 3.30 a.m.
Haiphong 30th Oct. 3.30 p.m. Yunnan 3.30 a.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, Canada, U.S.A. & S. America & EUROPE via SAN FRANCISCO—due San Francisco 27th Dec. Registration 9.45 a.m.
Letters 10.30 a.m.
Straits, Ceylon, Mauritius, India via Dhanushkoti, Bombay, Aden, Egypt and EUROPE via MARSEILLE—due Marseilles 29th Dec. Ship sails at midnight 30th Nov. Parcels 29th Nov. 5 p.m. Registration 4.15 p.m. Letters 5 p.m.
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FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 30.
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, Canada, U.S.A. & S. America & EUROPE via SAN FRANCISCO—due San Francisco 27th Dec. Registration 9.45 a.m.
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SATURDAY, DECEMBER 1.
Yunnan 3.30 a.m.
Haiphong 3.30 a.m.
Kobe 3.30 a.m.
Amoy 3.30 a.m.
Swatow 3.30 a.m.
Straits 3.30 a.m.
Shanghai 3.30 a.m.
Japan 3.30 a.m.
Honolulu 3.30 a.m.
Canada 3.30 a.m.
U.S.A. 3.30 a.m.
S. America 3.30 a.m.
EUROPE 3.30 a.m.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 2.
Swatow and Bangkok 3.30 a.m.
Shanghai and Japan 3.30 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow 3.30 a.m.
Straits and Calcutta 3.30 a.m.
Haiphong 3.30 a.m.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 3.
Manila 3.30 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow 3.30 a.m.
Straits and Calcutta 3.30 a.m.
Haiphong 3.30 a.m.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 4.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow 3.30 a.m.
Straits and Calcutta 3.30 a.m.
Haiphong 3.30 a.m.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 5.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow 3.30 a.m.
Straits and Calcutta 3.30 a.m.
Haiphong 3.30 a.m.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 6.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow 3.30 a.m.
Straits and Calcutta 3.30 a.m.
Haiphong 3.30 a.m.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 7.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow 3.30 a.m.
Straits and Calcutta 3.30 a.m.
Haiphong 3.30 a.m.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 8.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow 3.30 a.m.
Straits and Calcutta 3.30 a.m.
Haiphong 3.30 a.m.

WEATHER REPORT.

November 28d. 11h. 30m. Warning to Hongkong, Cochin, Port, &c.—Depression or typhoon of unknown intensity within 120 miles of Lat. 16 N. Long. 127 E., moving N.N.W.

November 28d. 11h. 35m. Pressure has increased considerably at Chefoo, moderately at Shanghai and slightly from Formosa to Tongking. It is nearly stationary over the Philippines.
An anticyclone has formed over S.E. Mongolia.
At 6 a.m. the typhoon was in about Lat. 16 N. and Long. 127 E. It appears to be curving to northward.

Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inch. Total since January 1st 10.42 inches, against an average of 81.86 inches. Forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon on November 29, 1933.
1.—Formosa Channel, N. winds, fresh.
2.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Lanchow. Light, variable winds, freshening from N.E. later; overcast, some drizzle or mist.
3.—Hongkong to Cape Rock. Light, variable winds, freshening from N.E. later; overcast, some drizzle or mist.
4.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan. Light, variable winds, freshening from N.E. later; overcast, some drizzle or mist.

ROYAL OBSERVATORY, HONGKONG.

DAILY WEATHER REPORT.

NOVEMBER 28, 1933.—a.m.

Station	Hour	Barometer at Sea Level	Temperature	Humidity	Direction	Force	Wind
Victoria Peak	6 a.m.	30.07	20	88	NE	8	0
Central	6 a.m.	30.07	20	88	NE	8	0
Admiralty	6 a.m.	30.07	20	88	NE	8	0
Wanchai	6 a.m.	30.07	20	88	NE	8	0
Shanghai	6 a.m.	30.07	20	88	NE	8	0
Amoy	6 a.m.	30.07	20	88	NE	8	0
Swatow	6 a.m.	30.07	20	88	NE	8	0
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Amoy	6 a.m.	30.07	20	88	NE	8	0
Swatow	6 a.m.	30.07	20	88	NE	8	0
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